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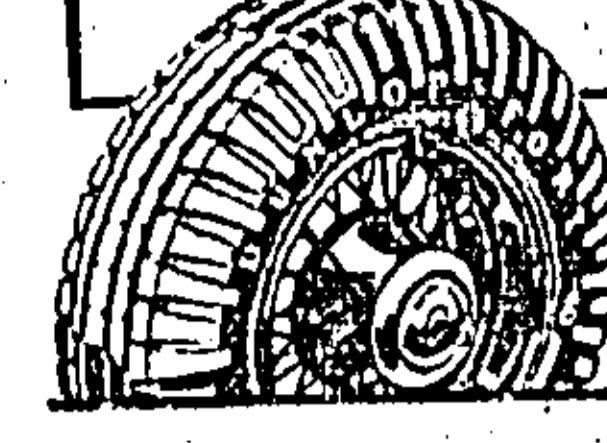
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BIG OFFENSIVE EXPECTED
MAKALE OBJECTIVE OF ETHIOPIANS
ITALY DENIES PROMISE MADE TO LAVAL

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Paris, Jan. 14.

Despatches from Addis Ababa indicate that another Ethiopian offensive in the Tigre region with Makale as its objective, will be launched on January 20, the date of the Geneva meeting at which further sanctions against Italy will be considered.

This view is supported by the fact that Emperor Haile Selassie has written to the head of the Catholic Church, saying that he has sent all his soldiers to the front and that he hopes to leave himself for the fighting lines the day after the Feast of Timke, which is the Ethiopian church's Epiphany and which falls on January 20. The Emperor enjoins the head of the church to pray for the troops who are going to battle.

It appears that the Church dignitary wished to prevent the Emperor leaving Dessie and risking his person in the coming engagements, but the Emperor is determined upon personally leading his soldiers.

Another indication that an offensive is being launched shortly, is that Dejazmach Kamed, who has been under the orders of Ras Getachew in the Aissa Desert, has received instructions to reinforce the Tigre front with all his men.—United Press.

ITALIAN DENIAL

Rome, Jan. 14.

The report that Signor Vittorio Cerruti, the Italian Ambassador in Paris has assured M. Pierre Laval, the French Primo Minister, that Italy will not leave the League of Nations if sanctions are extended, has been denied in official quarters to-day.

REPRIEVE NOW ONLY ESCAPE

HAUPTMANN MAKES LAST EFFORT

HABEAS CORPUS WRIT REFUSED

Trenton, N.J., Jan. 14.

In a last desperate attempt to save Bruno Hauptmann from the electric chair, to which he has been condemned for the murder of the Lindbergh baby, his lawyers to-day drafted a petition for a writ of habeas corpus to be submitted to the Federal District Court.

The petition alleges that Hauptmann's constitutional rights were violated at his trial.

Mr. James Willentz, Attorney General of New Jersey, who will oppose the writ, declares he is reliably informed that Governor Holman of New Jersey will reprieve Hauptmann. It is explained that Italy retains full liberty of action and has not announced any decision in advance.

Reports that Signor Cerruti also told M. Laval that Italy would not attack Great Britain's fleet in the Mediterranean are described as superfluous. It is added that, in any event, Italy contemplated no act of aggression.—Reuter.

NO DECISION REACHED

Rome, Jan. 14.

A spokesman of the Government said to-day that Italy had not decided whether to attend the January 20 meeting of the League of Nations Council at which anti-Italian sanctions will be further discussed.

A spokesman has denied that the Ambassador at Paris, Signor Cerruti, has been instructed to tell M. Pierre Laval that Signor Mussolini has pledged himself not to quit the League or to attack Great Britain.

It would be pointless to say that Italy would not attack Britain, he added, since Italy did not plan to attack anyone.

The spokesman asserted that no new peace plans had been formulated in Rome.—United Press.

MAY NOT ATTEND

Rome, Jan. 14.

Italy may not participate in the League Council meetings starting January 20.

The matter is under consideration and no decision has yet been taken, according to authoritative quarters. Reuter Bulletin Service.

NEW AMBULANCES

London, Jan. 14.

It is expected that two more British Red Cross units will leave next week for service on the north-west front in Ethiopia.

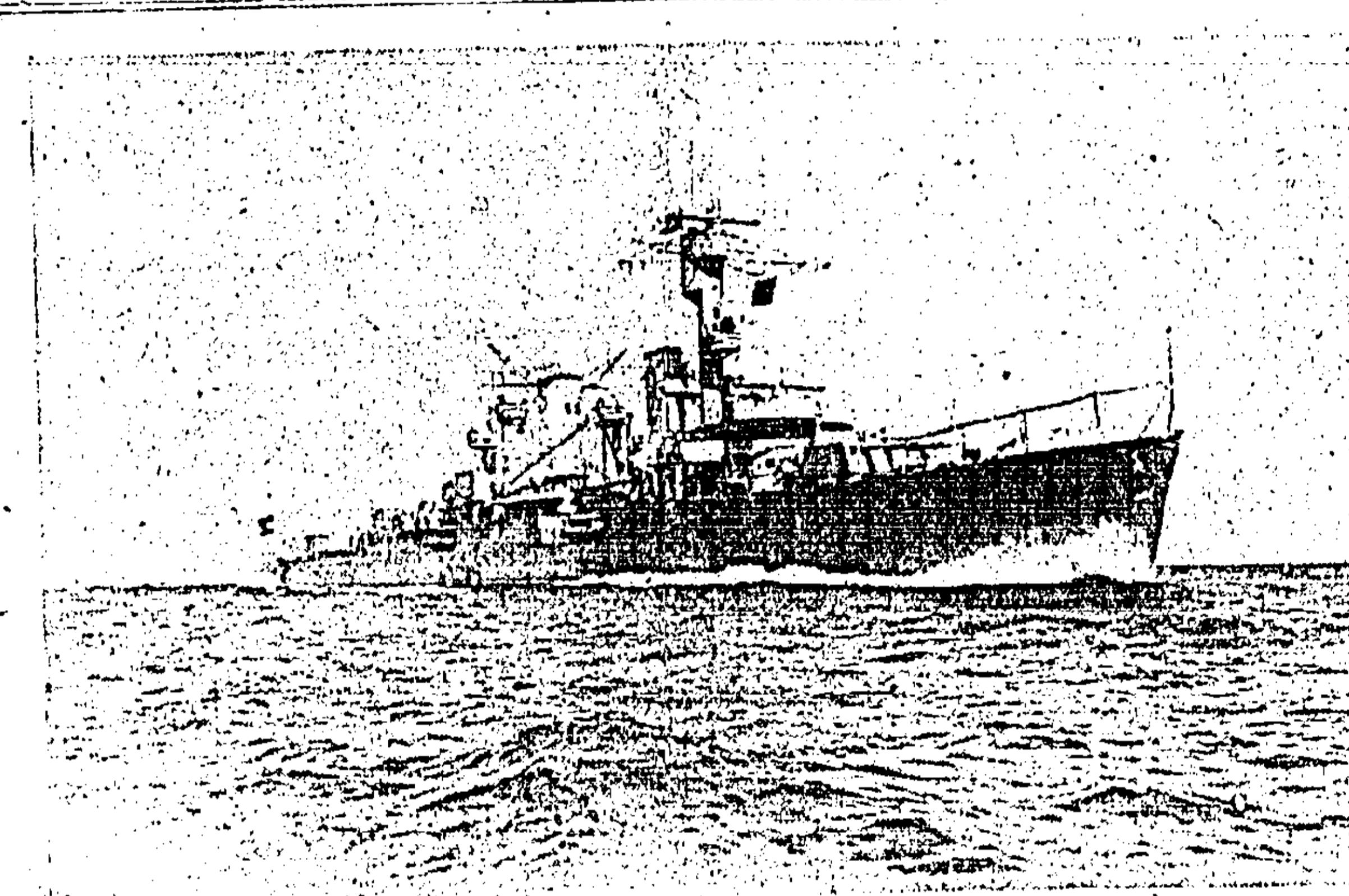
The public has responded generously to Canon Sheppard's broadcast appeal in connection with the despatch of these units.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

MORE MILLIONS

Rome, Jan. 14.

A Royal Gazette to-day authorized an extra appropriation of £40,000,000 lire for the East Africa campaign.

A communiqué states that the Italians have started intensive re-conning on the northern front.—United Press.



The German light cruiser Karlsruhe, which is due in Hongkong on February 7 and will stay in port for ten days. She will be the first German warship to visit Hongkong since the Great War. Her commander is Captain Siegmund and her Chief Officer is Commander Ruge. Both participated in the Battle of Jutland.

SWEDISH PROTEST TO ITALY

DIRECT ACT OF AGGRESSION

BOMBING OF RED CROSS

Stockholm, Jan. 14.

The Foreign Office has announced that the Swedish Minister in Rome has presented a Note to the Italian Government categorically protesting against the direct act of aggression to which the Swedish Red Cross unit in Ethiopia was subjected by Italian aeroplanes.

The Note rejects the Italian explanation of the bombing and expects that an investigation regarding responsibility for the incident will be immediately opened, and the act of aggression suitably dealt with.

The Swedish Government reserves the right to make demands for compensation.—Reuter.

ANGLO-AMERICAN PARLEY

NAVAL EXPERTS IN CONFERENCE

DECIDING ON PROCEDURE

London, Jan. 14.

An informal meeting between the British and American delegations to the Naval Conference took place at the Foreign Office this morning, to discuss the question of procedure at the next meeting of the First Committee of the Conference, now fixed for January 20. Later, the British delegation will meet their own delegation.

However, Japan's default gesture has rendered inevitable the completion of an immense American building programme, which by 1942, in the ordinary course of events, would give the United States the world's greatest naval forces.—Reuter.

Newspapers anticipate that with to-morrow's meeting the position, which has been somewhat obscure for several days, will be clarified, though it is not known whether Japanese participation in the future work of the Conference will be modified in character or not, or even interrupted.

Nowhere sang in Rome when it was discovered that thousands of precious gasoline was being wasted, and had been since the beginning of the campaign, owing to truck drivers and others having to fill their tanks through broken bottle necks or other makeshift funnels. A hurried call was sent to Italy for a supply and 6,000 funnels of all sizes have just arrived.—Reuter.

DANGER SEEN IN PACIFIC

HONGKONG MAY BE KEY-POINT

NAVAL RACE FEARED

London, Jan. 15.

The Japanese withdrawal from the Naval Conference may be followed by developments in the Pacific in a serious nature, according to the Daily Telegraph naval correspondent.

He writes that should America decide to carry out her plan of creating naval bases, Great Britain might be compelled to reconsider her position in the Far East.

He gives an example of the situation at Hongkong. The defences of that

KIPLING MAINTAINS IMPROVEMENT

But Condition Still Causes Anxiety

London, Jan. 14.

The improvement in Mr. Rudyard Kipling's condition was being maintained at 5.20 p.m. An enquiry regarding the patient's condition was made on behalf of Their Majesties the King and Queen early in the morning.

A later bulletin, issued at 8 p.m., stated that the patient's condition still gave rise to grave anxiety.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

port have not been touched for sixteen years and are now out of date.

This correspondent further avers that Japan's action would not start a naval building race between Britain and the United States who have already come to an understanding concerning the relative strengths of their fleets, while rules out the possibility of a naval race between Britain and the United States.

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LOCAL DOLLAR UNCHANGED

MARKET RATHER STEADIER

The Hongkong dollar was unchanged at 1s. 3d. this morning.

Inter-bank rates were 1s. 3d.

RUSSIA'S BUDGET PROPOSALS

LARGEST ITEM FOR RED ARMY

DEVALUATION DENIED

Moscow, Jan. 14.

The Government's proposal to almost double military expenditure in 1936, compared with 1935, was introduced by M. Grigori Grinko, Finance Commissar, when presenting the Budget proposals at a session of the Central Executive Committee.

Out of a total Budget of £7,500,000,000 roubles no less than 14,800,000 roubles will be devoted to military expenditure. The augmented appropriations will be applied to an increase in the number of effectives, the improvement of technical equipment, the modernising of barracks, and the political education of the Red Army.

M. Grinko explained that the Government's financial policy was directed to the strengthening and stabilising of the rouble. He denied rumours in circulation abroad regarding proposed devaluation or the issuing of new currency.—Reuter.

REVENUE FIGURES

IMPROVEMENT IN BRITAIN

London, Jan. 14.

Exchequer returns show that the total ordinary revenue, excluding self-balancing items, amounts to £470,607,050, compared with £459,076,406 at the corresponding date of last year.

Receipts from income tax are £97,713,000, compared with £94,482,000 for the same period of the last financial year.

The figure exceeds the aggregate under construction of seven lending countries abroad, amongst which Germany heads the list with 254,121 tons, followed by Japan with 118,010 tons.

It is also revealed that 311,100 tons were bogged in Britain during the last three months.

The total of 1,543,153 tons, excluding Russia, from which no figures are available, is the highest for any quarter since June, 1931. Of this total, 48.2 per cent. is building for Britain and Ireland.

The British total of 1,438,086 tons represents an increase of 212,532 tons for the quarter, compared with the previous September quarter, and is the highest for five years.

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The increase in exports affected nearly all categories. Exports of machinery by £28,495,450 were £6,689,109 higher than in the previous year.

Vehicles were £4,189,973 more than the year before and totalled £28,332,128. Exports of iron and steel at £37,093,242, of non-ferrous metals at £14,085,471 and of cotton goods at £60,177,625 were £2,001,189, £2,195,609 and £1,530,597 respectively.

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BRITISH TRADE GAINING

HIGHEST FIGURES FOR FIVE YEARS

EFFECT OF SANCTIONS ON ITALIAN MARKET

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The revival of prosperity in British trade in 1935 is to-day indicated in official returns, which show that imports at £767,000,000 registered an increase of £25,000,000 over 1934, and £82,000,000 over 1933. Exports, at £426,000,000 were £30,000,000 over the 1934 total and £58,000,000 above that of 1933.

Re-exports also were on the upward trend, it was shown, increasing £4,000,000 to a total of £55,000,000.

Imports were the highest since 1931 and exports were highest since 1930.

It is noteworthy that the effect of the introduction of certain sanctions against Italy, which came into force last November, was revealed in the returns. For instance, December exports of British coal to Italy amounted to only £14,000, compared to £349,000 for December, 1934.

Corresponding figures in respect of iron and steel and manufactures generally were £2,000,000 against £13,000, chemicals were only £181,000 against £12,220, while raw rubber did not appear on the export list at all this December and had previously totalled £946 in value.

Substantial decreases were also shown in the value of many Italian products into Britain for December, notably dairy products, which were £4.94 only, compared to £25,890 for December, 1934. Textile materials and other manufactures totalled only £4,050 as compared with £115,318.

On the other hand, tinned goods and other foods showed an increase, probably due to merchants rushing in stocks before the sanctions order was applied.—Reuter Special.

FURTHER RETURNS

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U. S. Ship Subsidy Menace And Hongkong

BRITISH SERVICES IN THE PACIFIC

The decision of British shipping companies to withdraw their services from the Pacific may seriously affect Hongkong, according to a Correspondent of the London *Daily Telegraph*.

The writer states that, in addition to the Canada-Australia and San Francisco-Australia British services, existing British services between Hongkong and Vancouver may be affected.

The service between Vancouver and Sydney, via New Zealand, is run by the Canadian-Australian Line, a subsidiary of the P. & O. line. Similarly the service between San Francisco and Sydney is run by this line.

The Vancouver-Sydney service has already been suspended, as a protest against the subsidy granted American liners by the U.S. Government. This subsidy, it is stated, makes it impossible for British vessels to compete with the Americans on Pacific waters.

It is interesting to note that the subsidy is paid to American vessels trading between the United States and Hongkong in competition with the unsubsidized Canadian Pacific line.

The withdrawal of British shipping from the Pacific was referred to last month by the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, who urged the British Government to co-operate with the Dominions of Canada and Australia to preserve these services, and by Sir Alan Anderson, deputy chairman of the Orient Steam Navigation Co.

The Liverpool Chamber of Commerce passed the following resolution:

That the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce views with grave concern the recent announcement of the withdrawal of Empire ships linking Australia and New Zealand with San Francisco, and the possibility in the near future of a similar withdrawal of the Canadian-Australian Line services between such Dominions and Vancouver, and of the British services between Vancouver and Hongkong.

"That the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce regards such withdrawals as a menace to the independence of the British Empire and the development of its trade."

"The termination of such services will result in the flag of the British Merchant Marine being driven off routes served for many years by British shipping, and would break a vital link in Empire communications."

"Further it sees in this development that unemployment will be accentuated in the shipping and shipbuilding industries."

"The Council of the Chamber accordingly most earnestly draws the attention of His Majesty's Government to the immediate necessity for reaching a policy of co-operation with the Governments of the Dominions to preserve the existence of British Empire shipping services on the Pacific routes."

Subsidised Competition

Sir Alan Anderson was speaking at the annual meeting of the Orient Steam Navigation Co. in London. Subsidised foreign competition, he said, would secure for the American lines a monopoly of the Pacific route to Australia unless the British Empire sustained the old-established British lines on the Pacific.

The British lines were not being driven off the sea by their own failure. They were not asking for a subsidy to shelter or condone inefficiency, but no private power could compete against the concentrated wealth of a great nation.

Sir Alan added that the title "third class" was out of date for ships, and denoted conditions which were also out of date. Third class passengers, who for more than 50 years were such important customers, had now practically ceased to travel to Australia.

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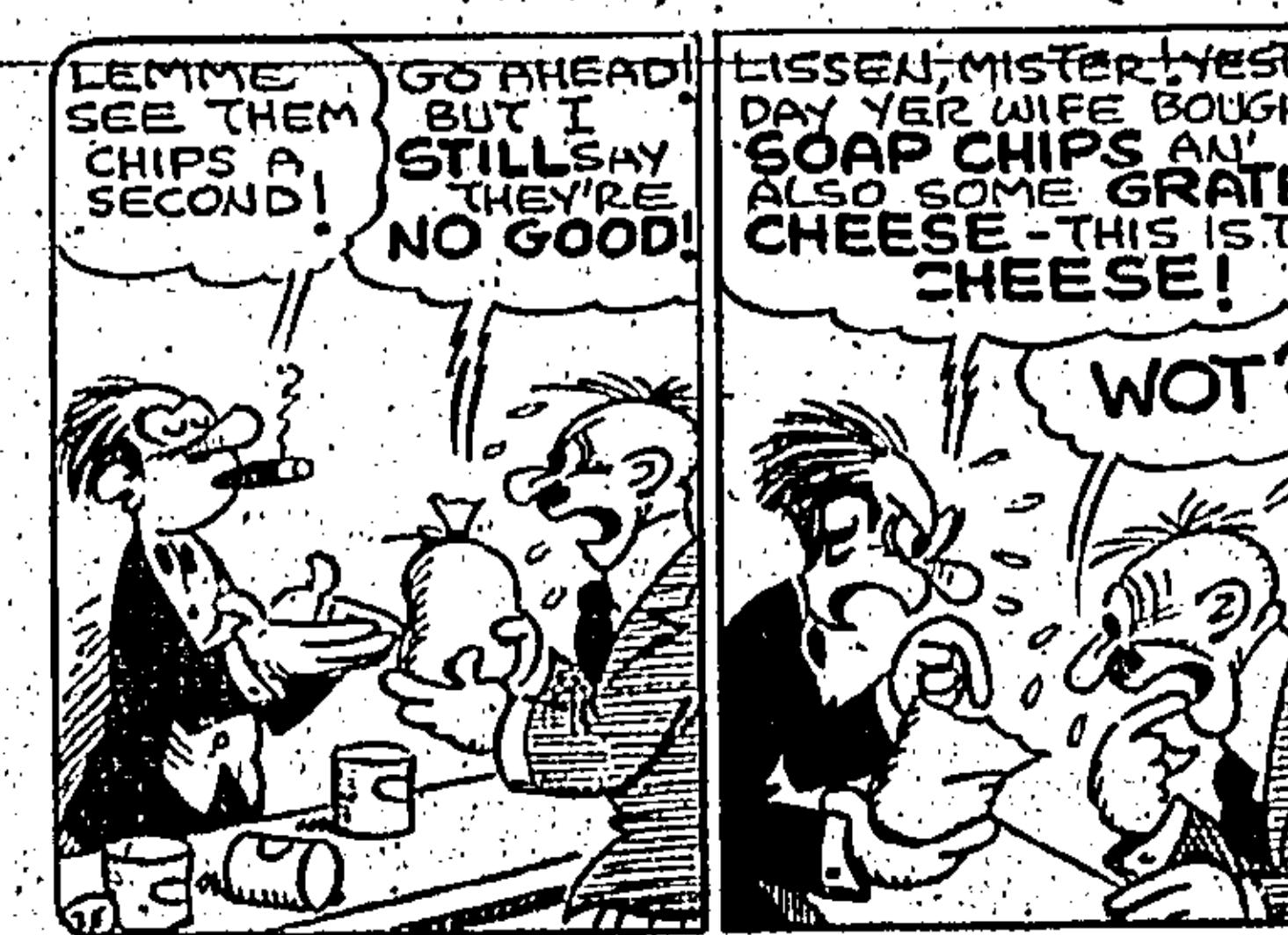
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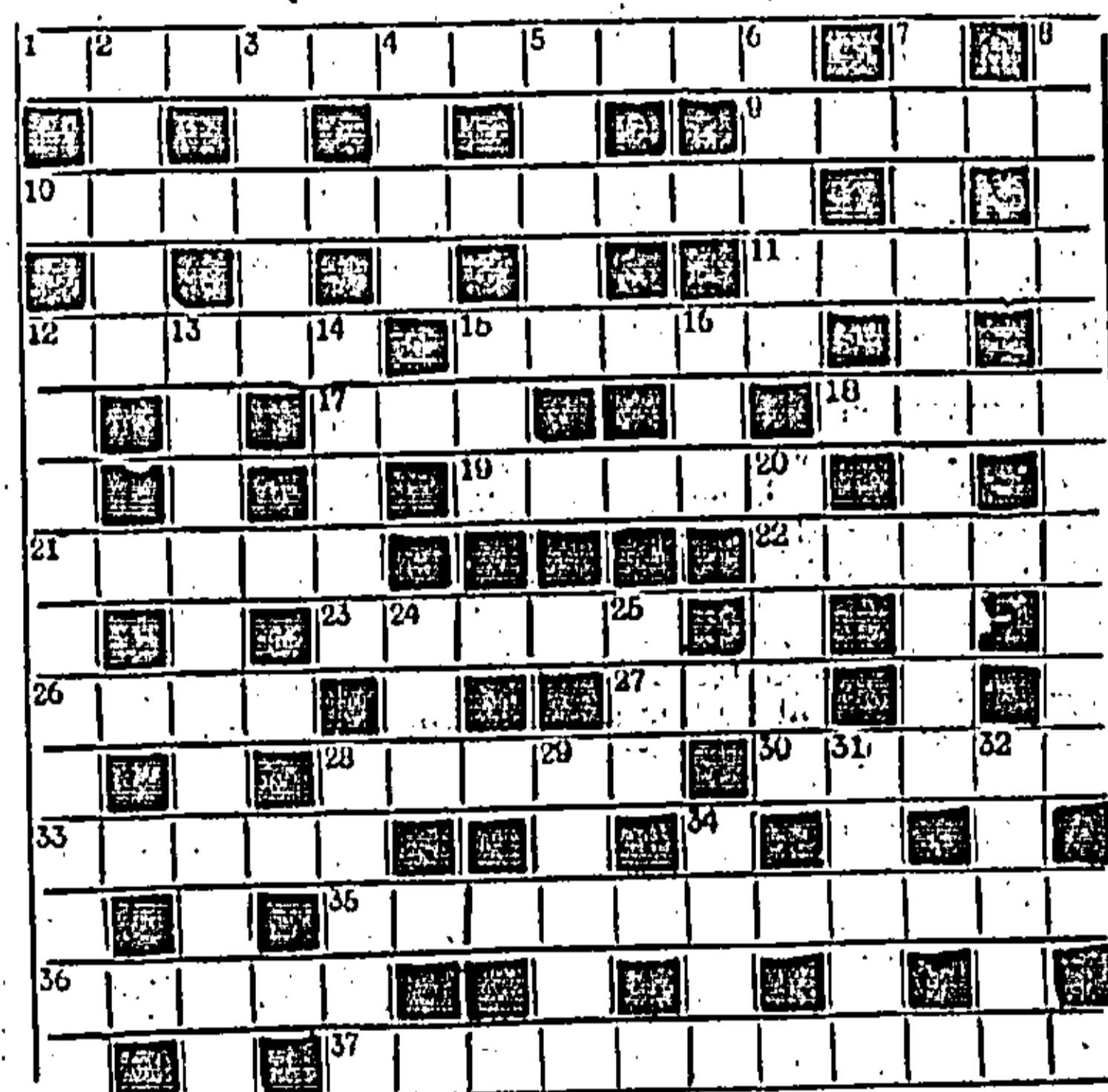
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11 Drive.

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14 Strained.

15 Exclaim.

16 Some games on 35 across.

20 Destruction.

24 Touchstone describes the Circumstantial and the Direct variety of this.

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31 Part of the body that includes 17 across.

32 This man is often satisfied with this after 600 at the beginning of this.

34 Euphemism for secyndhand.

Yesterday's Solution.

7 The progress of this disease is often arrested.

8 This market merchant is not so young after all (two words).

12 One's peculiarity?

13 "Send ten more" (anag.).

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Down

2 A parasitic worm.

3 Suitable material for a sailor's clothes?

4 Plant used for decorative purposing.

5 Mythical creature.

6 With this finger, of course, one shows the gardener his job.

Yesterday's Solution.

"I AM INNOCENT AND I SHALL PROVE IT!" DR. RUXTON COMMITTED TO STAND TRIAL



DR. RUXTON.

DEFENCE RESERVED IN SENSATIONAL CASE

POLICE CHIEF TELLS OF ALL-NIGHT INTERVIEW: "STAINS LIKE BLOOD"

DR. BUCK RUXTON, the 36-years-old medical practitioner, of Dalton-square, Lancaster, will stand his trial at Manchester Assizes on Wednesday next week on charges of murdering, at his home between September 14 and 29, Isobel Ruxton, aged 35, and Miss Mary Jane Rogerson, 20-years-old nursemaid to his children.

When committal charges were heard at Lancaster last month Ruxton said: "I sincerely plead not guilty and re-serve my defence and I shall prove it."

He then broke down and sobbed, "It is too much."

The prosecution alleged during the police court hearing, which lasted 12 days, that dismembered human remains found in a ravine at Moffat, Dumfriesshire, were those of the subjects of the two charges.

During the evidence at committal proceedings, the name of Mr. R. J. Edmondson was mentioned. He is a 22-years-old solicitor to Lancaster Corporation who, it has been stated, was one of a party which paid a week-end visit to Edinburgh and which also included his parents and Mrs. Ruxton.

Detective-Inspector William Green, of the Lancashire County Police, stationed at Morecambe, said that on October 11 he was making inquiries into the disappearance of Mary Jane Rogerson, and called at Lancaster borough police office, where he saw Dr. Ruxton.

"I told him I thought he could possibly give some useful help in finding them, and that I proposed to ask him to account for his movements between September 14 and 30.

I cautioned him, and explained what the caution meant, and told him that he would be required to sign the statement.

Did he say anything?—Yes, he said, "I shall be only too pleased to tell you all I possibly can." He then took from his pocket a number of papers, including an envelope marked "My movements." From this he produced two sheets of typewritten matter on paper headed, "2, Dalton-square, Lancaster."

300 Interviews

Mr. Palling produced what was stated to be a copy of this statement, and said that he did not propose to read it at present.

Resuming his questions, Mr. Palling said, "Did he then make a typed statement to you?—Yes. It was typed out, and he read and signed it. It was purely a voluntary statement.

Mr. Slinger opened his cross-examination by asking the chief constable, "How many people have you interviewed in connection with this case?" Mr. Vann replied that he had interviewed no one.

Mr. Slinger: How many has the prosecution?—Approximately 300.

Do you remember October 11, when the doctor saw you?—At that interview he stated that he had received a letter?—Yes.

Did the doctor read to you a letter he had sent to Mrs. Ruxton and which had been returned by the postal authorities?—Yes.

When the doctor was arrested, were you present when he was searched?—Yes.

Mr. Slinger: If there is any shouting I will do the shouting this morning.

Dr. Ruxton then bowed slightly to the chairman, saying: "I am sorry, sir; I beg your pardon."

Mr. Palling, referring to the writing on the back of the photograph, said: "I am not in a position to be able to give evidence, but if it will assist my friend, I will tell him the words—in fairness to this officer."

Later Mr. Palling handed to Mr. Slinger a slip of paper.

Chief Constable In Box

Mr. Henry James Vann, Chief Constable of Lancaster, said that on October 11 he saw Dr. Ruxton at the police office. "I said," he went on: "It would be desirable that a photograph of your wife should be circulated as this would assist in tracing her, and you have told me you are anxious that she should be found."

"It will be necessary for you to give me a written authority for the reproduction of the photographs in the newspapers." Dr. Ruxton signed an authority.

Replies to Mr. Slinger, the chief constable said that at one interview he had a newspaper in his hand. He came towards me and, taking hold of my hand, said, "My dear Vann, can't you do something about this newspaper report?" Pointing to a paragraph at the bottom of one page which referred to one of the bodies found at Moffat having a whole set of bottom teeth, he said, "Look at this! This newspaper says that this woman has a full set of teeth in the lower jaw, and I know of my own knowledge that Mrs. Rogerson has at least four teeth missing in this jaw."

"He then got very excited," went on Mr. Vann, "and said, 'All this publicity is ruining my practice, particularly at a time when I am negotiating for a house.'"

"He produced a letter and said, 'I didn't want to show you this, but here it is. Read it and you will see.'

"Before I was able to read it, properly he again became very excited. He sat on a stool with his feet on a chair, and banged with his fists on the back of the chair."

"Ho Sobbed"

"He ran his fingers frequently through his hair and said, 'This damned Bobbie Edmondson is ruining my home. One day I tapped a telephone conversation when she spoke

DUNGEON LABORATORY SEEKS CLUE TO MYSTERY

FUNCTION OF OUR NERVOUS SYSTEM

London, Dec. 31.

In a damp and dismal cellar near the heart of London a group of scientists from scattered parts of the world are struggling to solve a great medical mystery, the exact functions of the sympathetic nerves.

Their researches, conducted with a conglomeration of apparatus collected from the "junk heap," may reveal the root cause of many sufferings and open the door to new cures for nervous breakdowns, some forms of insanity and even paralysis.

The cellar laboratory is beneath the National Hospital in Bloomsbury, the only school of neurology in the world and which was recipient of a recent £120,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation.

The "dungeon laboratory" contains an intricate arrangement of paraphernalia used to test the sympathetic nervous system. Made from odds and ends, it includes as old music stand, a trench periscope that is a relic of the world war, broken bits of looking glass, an ancient plate camera and a series of discarded lenses.

An adjustable chair was needed for the subjects of the experiments. A second-hand shop revealed a derelict dentist's chair which was pressed into service. An adjustable couch couldn't be found so a wooden door, rigged with ingenious straps and levers, was made to suit the purpose.

Several old oil drums, a bicycle pump and a few home-made "test-your-strength" gadgets also play their part.

The doctors themselves—there are 20 from the United States and Canada—act as patients during the experiments, sitting in the dentist's chair with their feet immersed in a pan of hot water.

Tubes attached to the forefinger enable the nervous impulses to be recorded continuously on a large chart. If the patient laughs, holds his breath or works out a mathematical problem in his mind the stimuli are recorded instantly.

By means of the strange apparatus the doctors hope to establish a basis for a record of perfectly healthy nervous activity and control. This basis will be used to determine the damage to nervous control from various maladies, including nervous strain due to tumors, infections and accidents.

While a doctor "patient" is sitting with his feet in a tub of hot water a piece of ice may be applied quickly to his leg, producing nervous reactions which send the recording instruments palpitating.

These tests are expected to show ultimately how the muscles and even the glandular secretions of the body function under various nerve tensions.

With the £120,000 grant from the Rockefeller Institute the National Hospital hopes to take its research one, dependent upon the raising of work out of the "dungeon" and into fine, modern laboratories. But the Rockefeller grant is a conditional another £120,000 by the hospital itself.—United Press.

PEACE-MAKER?



The latest photo of Leopold, King of the Belgians who is alleged to be negotiating between Britain, France and Italy in an endeavour to find a formula to end the African War. King Leopold recently underwent an operation in England in order to have the scars resulting from the tragic motor accident in Switzerland removed.

to this man. The conversation was in lovers' terms.

"I have seen the telephone people and the calls are all 900-000. Have you any authority to intercept letters in the post?"

"I told him I had not. He sobbed a little at this point."

Mr. Palling: Did you subsequently make a statement to the Press?—Yes.

About nine on October 12 did Dr. Ruxton speak to you on the telephone?

Yes, he recognised his voice. He said, "I am very pleased with what has appeared in the Press. It is just what I desired."

Did you see him at your office on October 12?—Yes. I told him that inquiries were still being made with a view to tracing his wife and maid, who had apparently not been seen since September 14.

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He then broke down and sobbed, "It is too much."

He then made a typed statement to me?—Yes. It was typed out, and he read and signed it. It was purely a voluntary statement.

What happened from five o'clock?—I put a series of questions to him.

On September 7, did you tell Mrs. Vann, who said he cautioned the doctor, here detailed his questions, and Dr. Ruxton's alleged replies, which included:

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Continuing his evidence the chief constable said Dr. Ruxton went on:

My object was to go away from the hotel and get my car out of the garage and keep it a distance away. At the garage, what do I find? Bobbie Edmondson and Mrs. Ruxton were in the same party.

[Mr. Vann said Dr. Ruxton described [the journey north, and told him that the party stayed at the Adelphi Hotel and he at another]. The following morning he arose early.]

How do you account for cutting your hand at 10 a.m. and when Mrs. Whiteside called at 11 and you showed your hands to her, there was no cut or bandage?—I showed my hands to her. I distinctly showed her my hands. She is wrong. Certainly she is wrong.

A Mrs. Whiteside called to see you on Sunday, September 15, about 11 a.m., or thereabouts, you cut your hand?—It was earlier than 10 a.m.

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What have you said, then?—When I have had strong grounds for provocation I have said I did say that once—"You make a man feel like murder." I did not mean that. I have only struck her once, when she came home at a quarter to four in the morning when she had been with Edmondson.

I took my car and stayed a little distance away. The point is this, Mrs. Ruxton came to the Adelphi at about 9 o'clock. I waited until 10.5, and then they brought out their luggage and put it in the car. They drove away, and I went to the Adelphi and rushed in.

Then, when I was taking my car, I did a bit of detective work. I causally asked the garage man, "Isn't there a brand new Hillman car in company with this one?" He said "She has just gone, and is coming back for this car."

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Did your children wear rompers?—No, they wore silk suits. Not this sort of thing.

Have you ever seen Mary Rogerson wearing a blouse like that? (showing a blouse).—I have never seen her wearing anything like this.

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4½% Bonds 1898	£102½	£102½
4½% Loan 1908	£97	£97
5½% Loan 1912	£76½	£77½
5½% Receipt, Loan 1913 (Ldn. Inv.)	£91½	£91½
5½% Gold Bonds 1925-47	£97½	£97½
5½% Shad-Nanking Rly. 1911	£70	£70
5½% Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 1913	£32	£32
5½% Tientsin-Pukow Railway (Supl. Lmn.)	£31	£31
5½% Honan Rly. 1911	£28	£28
5½% Huakung Rly. 1911	£48	£48
5½% Lung Tsing U. Rly. 1913	£19	£19
Foreign Bonds and Banks		
German 7½% Int. Loan 1924	£60½	£60½
Japan 5½% Sterling Loan 1907	£84½	£84½
Japan 6½% Sterling Loan 1924	£94½	£94½
H.K. & Shad Bk. (Ldn. Regd.)	£100	£100-107½
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Canadian Celanese 116/3 116/3

Chinese Eng. and Min. (Bearer) 11/6 11/9

Courtaulds 69/6 60/9

Distillers 90/7 100/7

Dunlop Rubber 41/6 41/7

Elec. and Musical Instruments 27/3 27/3

General Electric (England) 75/1½ 76/3

Hawker Aircraft 29/3 29/1

Imperial Chem. Ind. 37/— 37/—

O.K. Bazaar 64/— 63/6

Imperial Tobacco 163/0 155/—

Rolls Royce 156/104 158/14

Shanghai Elec. Constr. 46/— 46/—

Tate & Lyle 90/0 91/—

Turner & Newall 74/— 73/0

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HONGKONG AND THE AIR

RESIDENT OF MALAYA TALKS TO LOCAL ROTARIANS

SCENERY AND AIR BOMBS

In a semi-serious talk on the air development of Hongkong and Malaya, Mr. R. Sidney, editor of *Roda* and a notable figure in Malayan Rotary life, kept the Hongkong Rotary Club in chuckles of amusement and appreciation at their weekly luncheon yesterday.

His Excellency, the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, was present and the President, Professor L. Forster, welcomed as guests Sir John Nicholson (attached to Tallow Dock), Messrs. H. Hutchins (Singapore), E. Geddes, C. W. N. McGowan, P. de Roux and A. Pittendrigh of Hongkong.

In introducing the speaker, the President said that Mr. Sidney was no stranger to Hongkong as he had been here in 1925 and 1932. He was the author of two excellent books on Malaya; but it was hardly necessary to mention their titles as they were obtainable to-day. (Laughter). They had sold out, which was a tribute to their excellence. (Applause).

The speaker was also editor of the *Roda*, a Rotary publication which had a wide circulation.

Mr. Sidney said: I did not know there was going to be so much publicity about myself, so you must excuse me for beginning with a personal apology. The reason those books are out of print is that they were "reminded" (Laughter). I am glad you know what "reminded" means. I did not know when I began to write. (Laughter). What happens is that you publish a book for a publisher, and after six months the publisher sends you a chit. "May we sell this book at £6?" You either take a farthing a year or you don't answer the letter. (Laughter).

I was told that this Club was over worse than the Singapore Club to address, and unless there was a famous speaker and a subject which would attract people it was quite useless to come here. Looking at the large gathering to-day I do not know why you came. It could not be because of the speaker, but perhaps those of you who have come through Singapore are interested, or as you now have a Governor from there, you will find in duty bound to learn something of the place. (Laughter).

Why Air Services?

I searched the town for a suitable subject; one gentleman suggested speaking about the stabilised dollar. I told him I could not be here unless the Hongkong dollar were not worth so much less than our dollar. (Laughter).

After considerable discussion, someone mentioned that people would like to hear about the air; and so there was evolved the present title, which may appear attractive, but about which I know extremely little.

I am given to understand that Hongkong has felt itself very badly used because at present it is so far away from the world's main aerial communications.

Happy place! You must remember that if you get your letters quickly to Europa Europa is going to get back to you quicker, too. In Singapore the air-mail has become a positive menace to the business man. You go into his office on Monday and he is in a turmoil. The air-mail just coming in. On Tuesday the air-mail is just going out and on Wednesday the air-mail is coming in and going out at the same time! Now they get four air-mails in and four air-mails out at Singapore—and only a short time ago they were quite safely beyond the reach of Home influence. (Laughter).

The harassed business man now finds that he no longer lives at

enough, than by any other method. Imagine the difference, for example, that it will make to residents in Malaya and Hongkong when they are within one day's flight of each other. At present I find that there is a great gulf fixed between the people who live here and those who live in the Straits. The gulf is a mental one, and that is why we come from the Straits and Hongkong such a stimulant. One of the reasons for this mental gulf is that at present we are separated by four nights and days of sea. We shall still be separated climatically when regular aerial communication is taking place between the two countries; the fact that transit has been reduced to a few hours will make all the difference to the mental outlook of those who can do the journey—and these travellers will gradually permeate their own communities.

Malayan Progress

I have said very little about aerial development in Malaya, and the reason is that we have not yet developed our own internal air services. We are promised that for this year, and soon it should be possible to fly about Malaya at little more cost than by the present means of transport. Just now (as I have already mentioned) we are served both by Imperial Airways and by the Dutch, and those who wish to see Malaya quickly and effectively cannot do better than make the trip by air from Singapore to Penang or vice versa.

Many suggestions, I believe, to link up Hongkong with East and West quarters, but that he is merely living in the suburbs, so to speak. I ask, then, why there is this keenness as to "mention their titles... as they were obtainable to-day." (Laughter). They had sold out, which was a tribute to their excellence. (Applause).

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Flying Beauty.

I shall not dare discuss these subjects just now; but I would like to consider, not only the civil development of this great port and city, but the development which is bound to take place so soon as Hongkong is once more fortified.

I had not intended to bring this question of aerial warfare into this talk; it was only the instant dragging in of an aeroplane over my hotel that this talk was being typed that made me consider the matter. Rotarians, presumably, wish to know about what may be called the better side of flying—that side which is concerned with the bringing together of people, and not the side which has to do with destruction.

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Passport Visas

(To The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph)

Sir,—In view of the rumours that the Italian Consulates in different parts of the world were instructed by their respective Government that any person of any nationality who is booking or taking the mercantile ship under the Italian flag, is entitled to have their passport free vised.

As a British subject, I wish some one would draw the attention of the Secretary to the Dominions, to a few of our passport fees which are not only too expensive, but the loss of the British shipping interests on account of the competition.

Hoping that the British Government will take more consideration with the matter as stated above, and thanking for publishing this. P. SHU.

PENANG FATALITY

SINGAPORE FLIER'S TRAGIC DEATH

Singapore, Jan. 14.—A local resident, Mr. R. C. Stiven, has been reported drowned near Penang yesterday. His plane, in which he was on a pleasure flight, is missing and later it was discovered that it had sunk in ten fathoms of water. Royal Air Force planes and police searched the vicinity.—*Reuter's Bulletin*.

If he can travel at a time when the padi fields are alive with their emerald and destruction to thousands, and polluted a very large area. The effect of many bombs dropped on many sewers would make London uninhabitable.

If this expansion of the R.A.F. which we read about is ever going to be used what a terrible state the world would be in!

What Is Politics

Rotarians are not supposed to discuss politics at their meetings. Rotary proclaims that it is not in any sense a political organization. Personally, I have always failed to understand how a great international organization which is attempting to improve man's lot on this earth can fail to be dealing in politics all the time. It may depend, of course, on what we mean by the word "politics". At any rate I feel that in this question of the future aerial development of the world Rotary should play an important part.

If every Rotarian pledged himself to have nothing to do with aerial warfare, and if he set himself to try and persuade others against aerial warfare, there would be a large body of public-spirited men all over the world who were agreed on a subject which is going to be of the greatest importance to humanity in the future. (Applause).

Rotarian M. F. Key, called upon to thank the speaker, said he could confirm the high pressure of activity among Singapore business men from his recent experience there. They did not have the time to read newspapers in office hours as he had often seen during his peregrinations among the streets of Hongkong. (Laughter).

The meeting was then adjourned.

PUBLIC MONEY

VOTES FOR LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

The Legislative Council meets tomorrow. Votes recommended for the approval of the Finance Committee after the meeting total \$60,146. This is almost entirely made up of rent allowances to Civil Servants. Explanations are as follow:

Miscellaneous Services

Rent Allowance, Senior Officers \$25,000.

Provision made in Estimates \$110,000. These rent allowances are based on a fixed sum less a percentage of the officers' salary. Owing to the shrinkage of the dollar equivalent of salaries consequent on the rise in exchange during the first ten months of the current year, the deductions have been less than was anticipated. A vote for \$25,000 is now requested to cover the resultant excess expenditure under this sub-head.

Rent Allowance, European Subordinate Officers

\$25,000.

Provision made in Estimates \$90,000. An officer of this class, whose family is resident in the Colony and who rents an approved separate tenement, is entitled to a rent allowance of \$110 a month on the actual rent, whichever is less. During 1935 fewer officers have been able to find suitable accommodation at an actual rent below the maximum allowable. The number of officers on leave was also considerably below the average. Inadequate provision was made for the resultant increase in expenditure and a supplementary vote for \$25,000 is requested.

Rent Allowance, Asiatic Subordinate Officers

\$15,400.

Provision made in Estimates \$100,000. Officers of this class, whose families are resident in the Colony and who rent approved separate tenements, are entitled to rent allowances of amounts based on salary scales. During 1935 fewer officers have been able to find suitable accommodation at an actual rent below the maximum allowable. Inadequate provision was made for the resultant increase in expenditure and a supplementary vote for \$15,400 is requested.

Royal Observatory Incidental Expenses

\$145.

Provision made in Estimates \$100. The provision in the 1935 Estimates is not sufficient to meet the subsistence allowances paid to the Director, Royal Observatory, for attendance at the Empire Conference and the International Meteorological Conference held in London and Warsaw, amounting to \$146.30 (£14. 16s. 0d.). A supplementary vote for the amount is therefore requested.

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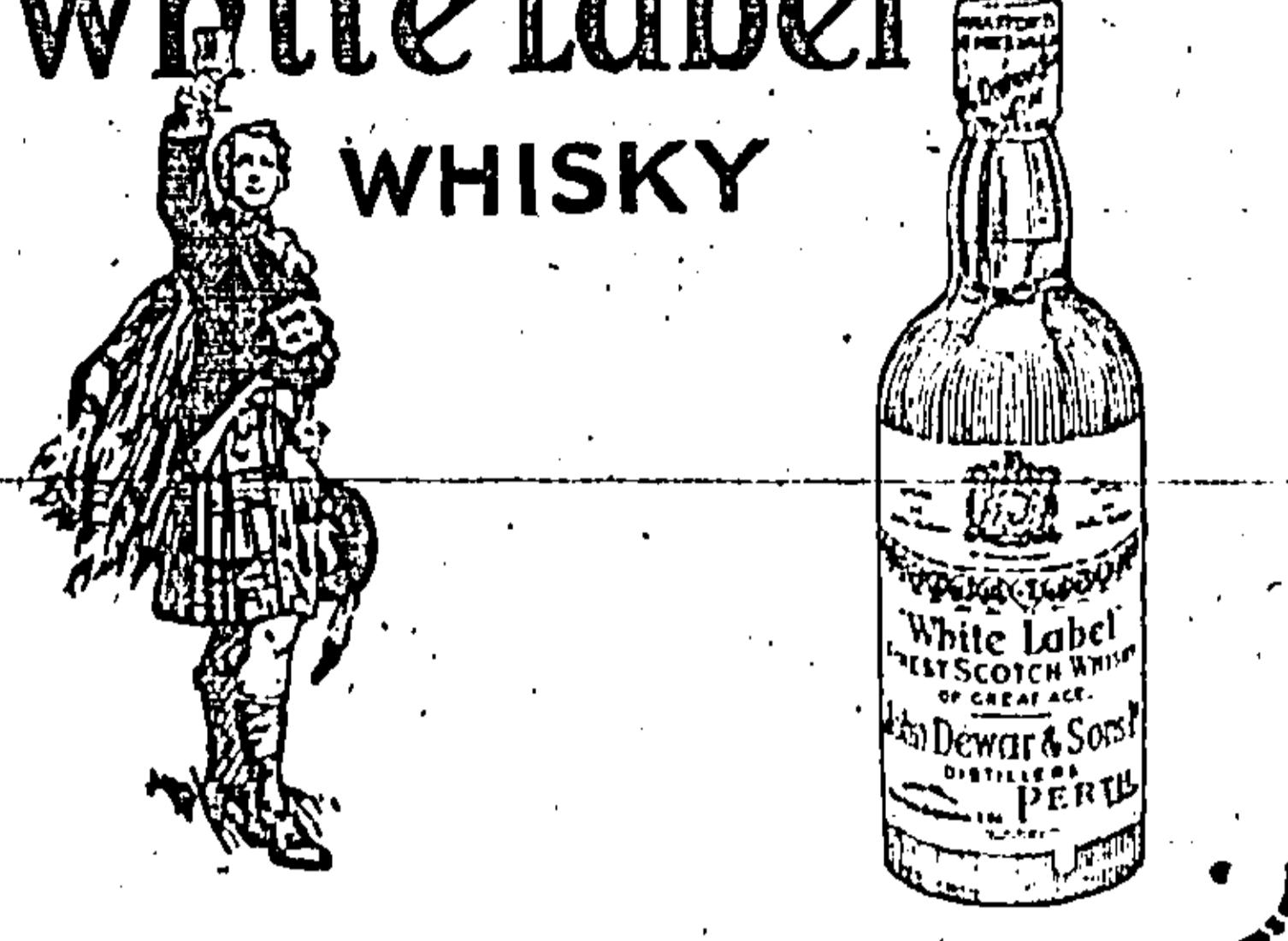
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WORLD POLICE
FORCE

Announcement of the measures which the British and French General Staffs have agreed upon to meet the possible contingency of an Italian naval attack invests with more than usual interest the question of the creation of an international police force for the purpose of preserving world order. The idea is, in reality, an extension of the provision made in the League of Nations Covenant envisaging the formation of a composite naval, military and air force by members States for use when the League's ideals are threatened by aggressive action on the part of any nation. It is in line, too, with the French suggestion of an International Air Force under the control of the League. The issue was recently raised in the House of Commons, when a motion was brought forward urging that serious consideration should be given to the desirability of replacing national forces by international defence units. Support for the plan was stated to have been voiced by the British Legion and by the National Council of Evangelical Churches. In a small way, the plan was tried last year in the case of the Saar election, when a composite force was sent to the region to maintain order. We see the same principle at work in the Anglo-French agreement to join hands should Italy create trouble in the Mediterranean. The main advantage of creating an international force beforehand, instead of hastily improvising one in an emergency, is that it would be instantly available when required. The trouble that was experienced in getting France and Britain to agree

recently illustrates the danger of waiting for a crisis to arise. As to the attitude of the British Government on the subject, it was stated in the recent Commons debate that, in the present state of the world, the plan would be impossible, a spokesman remarking that anybody who suggested to the Italian or German Governments, for example, that they should abandon their defence forces, and trust in an international

DEFENCE of ART.

by J. L.

I do not wish to enter into the controversy concerning Art, but I think a little clarity should be shed on one or two works of art that have been discussed recently.

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NOTES OF THE DAY

FRANCE ON GUARD

Narrow-minded people may deplore the necessity, but people of any vision will admit the utility of the newly-conceived Franco-British defence plan by which the French Republic agrees to assist His Majesty's Government in resisting any possible attack upon the British fleet in the Mediterranean, and to stand guard against any air attack. The agreement is merely that France will put her air force signals at the disposal of the British Air Ministry, mobilise a number of troops, and provide Britain with naval bases, dry docks and such facilities. It does not entail any actual armed collaboration on the face of it. But, in effect, it is a defensive alliance. The mere fact that French air scouts are to give warning of an impending attack constitutes a hostile act, in the view of the attacker. It puts France in the position of being unable to plead neutrality, whether she wished to or not. It puts her definitely at Britain's side; or rather, beyond Britain's front door, watching British interests and ready to give aid and warning the moment they are threatened. Mr. Stanley Baldwin, some months ago, uttered an axiomatic truth when he said that Britain's frontiers had been removed to the Rhine. At that time there was no apparent danger of complications with Italy, or he might have said that the frontier stretched from the Mediterranean to the North Sea and could roughly be defined by the easterly borders of France. British statesmen are to be congratulated for taking the obvious precautions and doing the simple thing to ensure the country's safety. They have kept the French friendship; and Frenchmen stand guard for them.

The latter two works will serve for the more elementary explanation. All must admit that standards of beauty and actual physical dimensions alter from age to age.

Take the much desired svelt and slim female form of to-day and compare it with Venus de Milo. Would the dimensions of Venus de Milo win the first place in a beauty competition of to-day, or even her facial appearance? Or would such a thing as the Sphinx irrespective of its size be considered as a thing of beauty.

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SIMILARLY as to many monu-

ments in London and the capitals of Europe not to mention one or two statues we have here in Hongkong. Undoubtedly standards of beauty do alter and most radically and one must admit also that the bigger and for the bearing of offspring, broader conception of any subject is the nobler; otherwise and the drawn face. Every artist would be armed with a point about the piece is actually camera and seeking subjects conforming to present-day standards of beauty.

Then in a work of art that must live when we all die, for posterity as well as the education of the present age the bigger conception in art must not be confined to one temporary stand-

ard of beauty.

Deviating for a moment and mentioning the first model of the Haig statue, against which there was such an outcry by the general public. The Sun Brayne

was on the wrong side, there was a button missing here and a button in the wrong place there, and of us do not know what we see, the horse did not look like our sight is atrophied. We cannot see colour, we do not see our eyes sympathetic to colour. It is fortunate that Haig rode, it is placed that we may attach our spectacles to them. The more vivid sunsets are the only sights that excite our colour sense. It is a pity, because we think it would only be concerned with the conception of a war draftsman in his student days

The recent head of Einstein executed by Epstein is particularly admired. None of the features of the man Einstein needed emphasis or embellishment and the head generally is a splendid example of scrupulous accuracy in modelling.

The appreciation of the Governors of the National Tate Gallery is shown by the practical fact that they exhibit and buy Epstein's work whenever they are available. This body, not to mention many other public bodies, who spend large sums of public money for the artistic education of the Nation and for the benefit of posterity, are those men who have the surest and best knowledge of merit in sculpture and painting. They consist in part of Academicians and men of Letters, and have at their disposal the advice of many other eminent men when selecting and buying for the Nation. So we must admit that the high authorities on Art in Sculpture acknowledge the merit of Epstein's work.

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EPISTEIN'S work appears to majority that Epstein is a masterpiece under two classes, ter of proportion. Many subjects, usually very simple, were enabled. And here we come to an important question in Art. Namely, is the composition, sculpture, painting etc. nobler in its conception and enabled by its execution.

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Car Parking Problem

IS KOWLOON SPACE ADEQUATE?

Questions regarding the adequacy or otherwise of motor parking spaces in Kowloon are to be asked at tomorrow's meeting of the Legislative Council by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga. The questions to be asked are as follows:

1. Will the Honourable the Inspector General of Police state—

(a) what are the respective numbers of motor cars, exclusive of buses, trucks and lorries, registered for Kowloon for the past three years—1933 to 1935—inclusive;

(b) what are the facilities on Salisbury Road near the Star Ferry pier for the parking of motor cars;

(c) what is the approximate superficial ground area in each of the above three years allotted for the public parking of cars in that locality;

(d) whether the ground areas referred to in question (c) represents an increase during the past three years in proportion to the larger number of privately owned cars in Kowloon?

2. Does the Government consider the authorized parking space on Salisbury Road sufficient for the number of registered motor cars for Kowloon?

3. Should such areas not be deemed adequate, by what further provision, if any, and where does the Government contemplate increasing the accommodation to meet suitably the growing demand for parking spaces within the aforesaid areas?

4. Does the Government contemplate the use of the open space of Crown Land lying between Middle Road and Salisbury Road and the open space on Salisbury Road adjoining and to the east of the existing car park? If not, could not such spaces, or any other piece of Crown Land in that neighbourhood, be utilized, provisionally, for adding to existing car parking spaces at Kowloon Point?

REPRIEVE NOW ONLY ESCAPE

(Continued from Page 1.)

subjected to hostile opinion, that while Hauptmann was giving evidence motion picture cameras were operated and the public vented derisive outbursts; and that these influences and the presence in the courtroom of prominent persons from throughout the country distracted the jury and told against Hauptmann.

Mr. Burkinshaw, one of Hauptmann's lawyers, read the petition to a crowded courtroom. He attacked the speech of the New Jersey Attorney-General, Mr. Willentz, to the jury, declaring it contained intemperate assertions and insinuations.

SUBTERFUGE AND FRAUD

Mr. Willentz, replying, described the petition as "subterfuge and fraud."

The Judge held that if he granted the application he would be practically over-riding the New Jersey Court of Errors and the United States Supreme Court.

"Every known remedy in law has been used to save this prisoner from electrocution," he added.

After the decision one of the defence lawyers remarked, "This is the end." —Renter.

STILL HOPIING

Trenton, Jan. 14. Governor Hoffman of New Jersey repeated to-day that he had not decided whether or not to re-convict Bruno Hauptmann.

The Attorney-General, Mr. Willentz, however, says he is reliably informed that the Governor intends to grant a reprieve.

Mrs. Hauptmann visited her husband to-day in the death cell and emerged from the prison smiling.

"Richard is feeling well and is still hopeful that something will turn up for the better," she said.

Hauptmann's spiritual adviser, the Rev. John Matthiesen, also visited the condemned man. He says that Hauptmann has hopes that new evidence will save his life.

Hauptmann's attorney obtained the prisoner's signature to an application of habeas corpus for presentation to Federal Judge Warren Davis.—United Press.

LADY PRECIOUS STREAM

TO BE REPEATED NEXT WEEK

Those who were unable to attend the presentation of "Lady Precious Stream" by members of the Hong Kong University Arts Association on Saturday, and others as well, will be glad to learn that, by special request, a repeat performance is to be given next week.

The extra performance will take place in the Great Hall of the University on Wednesday, January 22, at 8.45 p.m. Booking will open at the King's Theatre on Friday, January 17, tickets being \$2 and \$1.

The first performance was a big success, and the public is fortunate in being given a further opportunity of seeing this play, which has achieved a tremendous success in London.

Owing to indisposition, Dr. Harries, Medical Officer of Schools, is unable to lecture to the Hong Kong Teachers' Association to-morrow (Thursday).

Civil Servant Population

HON. MR. M. K. LO WANTS FIGURES

The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo is to ask a series of questions at to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council regarding the number of European in Government service, and the policy of the Government in regard to officers who have done ten years' service in the Colony but, not having reached pensionable age, are nevertheless willing to retire.

Mr. Lo's questions are in the following terms:

(1) What was the total number of European Civil Servants employed by Government at (a) end of 1923;

(b) end of 1931, (c) end of 1935; (2)

What was the number of persons constituting the European Senior Clerical and Accounting Staff at the aforesaid periods?

(3) What was the total amount of salaries paid to the Public Works Department Staff, European and non-European, in (a) 1923, (b) 1931, (c) 1935.

3. Since the date of the Report of the Retrenchment Commission (May 1931) (a) what additions, if any, (b) what reductions, if any, have been made in the European Staff on the Civil List?

4. In view of the imperative

necessity for retrenchment, what is the policy of Government in regard to European officers who, having done 10 years of service in the Colony, but not having reached pensionable age, are nevertheless willing to retire?

(b) If under existing regulations, there is no power to permit such retrenchments, will Government consider the question of amending such regulations with the view to conferring such power, in order to save the heavy expense of paying the return passage for such officers and families who have only a rather short period to serve in order to qualify for pension?

U.S. STILL SPENDING

ENORMOUS PUBLIC DEBT FORESEEN

Washington, Jan. 14.

Following the testimony of Mr. Henry Morgenthau, the Secretary of the Treasury, that the Government would have raised a minimum of \$11,000,000 in the next seventeen-and-a-half months, the Senate Finance Committee approved Senator Harrison's bonus bill of 16-12.

Senator Coopers, voting against the measure, said that Mr. Morgenthau also said that the \$11,000,000 minimum was needed for the remainder of this and the next year's commitments. These included estimates of \$2,900,000 for relief, which sum was not taken into account in Senator Roosevelt's budget.

Senator Coopers said Mr. Morgenthau estimated that this expenditure would bring the public debt of the country to \$35,500,000,000 by the end of the next fiscal year.—Renter.

LEAGUE FINANCE IMPROVEMENT

BEST YEAR YET REPORTED

Geneva, Jan. 14.

The League of Nations finances for 1935 are the best yet reported, with a balance of nine million Swiss francs from receipts over expenditure. One million francs will be placed to reserve, and the balance will be used to reduce members' contributions for 1937.—Renter's Bulletin Service.

CRUELTY TO CHILDREN

BOY TIED AND LEFT EXPOSED TO COLD

Liu Siao-chang, a chauffeur, and Liu Tsu-tsze, a female nurse, were charged in the First Special District Court at Shanghai with maltreatment of two children, one of whom was only seven years old and the other 12 years old. Both accused were released for trial.

The prosecution alleged that on diverse dates in November and December last year, in House No. 5, Lane No. 29, Thorne Road, the accused maltreated a male child, Lieu Lou-yoong, aged seven, by beating him about the head and body with a wooden clod and on at least one occasion by tying his hands with a cord and leaving him on an exposed drying stage on the roof of the house during cold weather.

The prisoners were further alleged to have maltreated a female child, aged 12, named Lieu Tsai-ying, by striking her about the face and body and by neglecting her general welfare.

The 1st Battalion of the Lancashire Fusiliers is due to-day on the transport Dorseshire. The Fusiliers, who were stationed last at Colchester, are going to Shanghai to relieve the 1st Battalion Inniskilling Fusiliers and the Dorseshire will also pick up several details for Shanghai and Tientsin. The Commanding Officer of the Lancashire Fusiliers is Lt.-Col. L.H.K. Finch, D.S.O., D.C.M.

Captain R. D. Walker, M.C., A.D.S., will deliver a lecture on "Some Aspects of Railway Engineering" to the University Engineering Society on Friday, January 17, at 8.30 p.m. in Room "A" of the University. All interested are welcome.

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HEROIN PILLS CASE

COUNSEL MAKE SUBMISSIONS FOR THE DEFENCE

Submissions by counsel for the defence that there was no case to answer occupied the whole of the afternoon yesterday at the continued hearing of the charge against three men and a woman, of possession of heroin pills and drugs at No. 15 Caroline Hill Road, second floor, on November 19.

The defendants are Chiu Kau, Lo Shing, Li So alias Li Tat-sheng and a woman, Ho Ying, and they are charged with possession of 35,000 heroin pills on the second floor of No. 15 Caroline Road on November 19 last year, possession of 6½ ounces of codeine phosphate and 1½ ounces of strichnine—and—possession of 17 ounces of heroin.

Mr. J. B. Prentiss, Assistant Crown Solicitor, is conducting the case for the prosecution. Mr. E. H. Losby is appearing on behalf of Li So and Mr. S. N. Quinn for the other defendants. At a previous hearing of the case Mr. Quinn had pleaded guilty on behalf of the first defendant only.

Mere Presence Not Sufficient

In submitting he had no case to answer, Mr. Losby dealt with the history of the case since it was first brought to Court, and said the evidence could be divided into three classes—first, the formal evidence of the raid; second, the evidence which could not be brought against the third defendant, namely the evidence he had no case to answer.

He contrasted to this, all Japanese merchants, regardless of size, are to conduct their sales on a yen basis, according to the newly inaugurated plan. Retail prices quoted by the hundreds of small Japanese shops throughout Shanghai will be in yen. While this arrangement is likely to be an annoyance to non-Japanese in Japanese shops, the Japanese sponsors of the scheme contend that the use of the yen will not only mean monetary saving but will constitute a convenience, as the bother of calculations of exchange according to the fluctuations of the exchange rates will be eliminated.

YEN STANDARD

JAPANESE ACTION IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Jan. 14.

Declaring that the fluctuations of the Chinese dollar had caused them both trouble and monetary loss, the Japanese business of Shanghai have decided to employ the Japanese yen in all commercial transactions and to extend the plan from Shanghai to all central and South China cities where Japanese are engaged in trade.

The practice of using currency other than Chinese in business transactions is not new here. Large American firms quote prices in U.S. dollars when engaged in large wholesale dealings. However, the standard Chinese Government yuan or dollar and its subsidiary coins and notes are used exclusively in retail sales and purchases.

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Some Reluctance

However, many Japanese merchants, whose shops are patronized by Chinese and westerners, or who deal in articles produced in China, are reluctant to make the change, for aside from the probable confusion the use of the yen would create, they see a loss of trade resulting from their customers' unwillingness to use the Japanese currency as a basis of trade.

The inauguration of the "yen standard" in China is regarded as something more than a matter of convenience to the Japanese residents and tradespeople. There are those who see in it a plan to embarrass the workings of the Chinese Government's new monetary programme. It was recalled that the announcement of the nationalization of silver and the control of exchange at a fixed level was received with surprise and indignation in Japan, some circles in Tokyo seeing the move as an Anglo-Chinese manoeuvre directed against the Japanese currency as a basis of trade.

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Bad Faith Charge

Japanese commercial circles here are inclined to resent the move and the Chinese Manufacturers' Association has petitioned the National Government to request the Japanese authorities to put a stop to the innovation. This group declared in its petition that the circulation of Japanese currency in China was likely to lead to a penetration of Japanese influence into the Chinese commercial market and that the future of the Chinese industries and country would be jeopardized if this move were left unchecked. Furthermore, the members of this group have been requested to boycott the use of Japanese currency.

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7.45-8.30 p.m. Ensemble Singing.

Waitin' at the Gate for Katy (Bottoms Up); Layton and Johnstone; Now that you've found you ("I'm a Good Girl"); Jack Buchanan and Eddie Randolph; Scenes from "My Old Dutch"; Betty Balfour and Michael Hogan; Moonlight Menderings ... The Carlyle Cousins; Don't be afraid to tell your mother ... The Mills Brothers; I'm on a See-Saw ("Jill Darling"); Nonny, Nonny No ("Jill Darling"); Louise Brown and John Mills.

8.30-8.45 p.m. "Tidworth Tattoo," 1935.

8.45-9 p.m. Octets.

Hearts and Flowers (Arr. Willoughby); The Wedding of the Rose (Arr. Willoughby); Cradle Song (Arr. Hartley); Serenade (Schubert).

9.30-10.15 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.

10.15-10 p.m. From the Studio.

10.30-10.45 p.m. Concert Recital by Bill Cameron, Lindsay Lafford and George Bond.

Programme:

1. It's June in January; 2. Eleven

Thirty Saturday Night; 3. Gather Lip

Rouge; 4. Tell me to-night; 5. The

Girl in the Little Green Hat; 6. In

Pictures; 7. All I do is dream of you;

8. Flower Let; 9. Polly; 10. Marigold;

11. Who wouldn't; 12. Mar

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CLUBHOUSE PROJECT

By "Bull's-Eye."

HONGKONG has become Rifle-minded.

So much so, in fact, that today it boasts the biggest rifle club in the British Empire.

At a meeting of the Council of the Association held this week, it was announced that only 16 new affiliated members were required to bring the total to 4,000.

Full Membership, after 74 applications had been dealt with during the meeting, stood at 275.

The Hongkong Rifle Association, which was formed seven months ago, anticipated nothing like this membership.

As a result of the extraordinary interest taken in its activities, the Council now finds itself in an embarrassing position.

It has so many members that it does not know where to find accommodation during shoots.

LARGEST IN EMPIRE

The fact that Hongkong, containing less than 300 square miles and an European population that does not exceed 35,000 people, boasts the largest Rifle Club in the Empire is an indication of the enormous strides made by the lusty infant.

The influx of members—both individual full members and affiliates—shows no signs of abating. On the contrary, if the past two months are any criterion, the Council of the Association is going to find itself even more seriously embarrassed. Of the total full membership of 275, over 100 have joined since the beginning of November.

At its meeting this week, the Council unanimously decided that the annual subscription rate be doubled as soon as 300 full members had been enrolled. This remarkable step is a direct result of the position created by the enormous number of applications for enrollment. The increased rate, however, will not apply to the first 300 individual members to join the Association. They will become Foundation Members, and their subscription will be unchanged from the original basis.

The Council does not at present propose to increase the affiliation fee for affiliated Rifle Clubs; this matter having been left for further discussion.

But I understand that, if the increased fees do not curb applications for Full Membership, the Council will in all probability take steps to close their books to new members, limiting full membership to a figure not greatly in excess to that existing at present.

Great impetus to membership during the past fortnight has been the arrival in the Colony of the Royal Ulster Rifles, who are renowned for their keenness in rifle shooting.

One of their first acts on arriving in the Colony was to apply for affiliated membership in the Hongkong Association, the application being approved at this week's Council meeting.

TO BUILD CLUBHOUSE

From an authoritative source I learn that the Council is now pushing ahead with plans to build a Club House on the Kowloon Range, at present occupied by the Kowloon Golf Club.

I believe architects' drawings have already been prepared for this purpose, and the question should be settled in the near future.

It seems pretty certain that the Kowloon Golf Club are going to raise their voices in loud protest at what many members regard as an encroachment on their preserves.

But I cannot see how they are going to halt the new Rifle Association especially when it has proved so successful, and has the support of the local Military authorities, who own the land. The Rifle Club can argue with perfect justification that the Kowloon rifle range

is the only suitable one available for their needs; that the Golf Club occupies the land at the pleasure of the military authorities and that, with as many hundred members as the Rifle Club has thousands. Any objection by the Golf Club to the proposed Rifle Club house, therefore, seems bound to be overruled, and I think the disciples of St. Andrew's would be wise to accept the position with as much grace as possible.

At present, the Rifle Club utilizes the grounds on Wednesdays only, Saturday shoots taking place at Stonecutters.

Members and affiliates of the Rifle Association will hold their first annual Dinner, probably at the Peninsula Hotel, next month. Final arrangements will be discussed at the next meeting of the Council.

I believe some discussion took place at the last Council meeting regarding feminine members, one or two of the members of the Council apparently favouring the idea. But, as can be seen from the report of the meeting, published below, the Council decided to strictly limit membership to men, all members to be of British nationality. This rule, both in respect to aliens and females (lots of riflemen regard them both in the same light!) will be strictly enforced.

COUNCIL MEETING

At a meeting of the Council of the Rifle Association, held on Monday evening in the Board Room of the South China Morning Post, with Lt. Col. H. L. Morrow, D.S.O., in the Chair, it was announced that 75 applications for individual membership had been received since the last meeting in December, bringing the total to 275.

The resignation of Sub-Lieut. R. Greive, R.H.A.V.P., was accepted with regret, and Cadet A. C. Ford of the same Force was nominated to fill the vacancy.

The proposal that those taking part in the recent N.R.A. Overseas Postal Match should be awarded the Association's Bronze medallion was unanimously adopted.

The offer of Sergeant Russell to organize, and to be responsible for, the Association's Revolver Shoots was approved, as was the suggestion that the Honorary Treasurer be asked to help in this connection.

The matter of the provision of adequate range accommodation was discussed at some length, and steps are taken to ensure that this should be available in the future.

AN ANNUAL DINNER

It was decided that the first Annual Dinner of the Association should be held in February, and a Sub-Committee consisting of Messrs. Scott and Austin, with the Honorary Secretary, was appointed to go into the matter, and to report to the Council at its next meeting.

The Council unanimously decided that membership of the Association should be confined to British subjects, and that this should be clearly stated in the Rules of the Association.

At the request of the Honorary Secretary, a Committee was formed to consider the tentative proposals put forward by him regarding the competitions to be held at the forthcoming Prize Meeting, the members of such Committee being Messrs. Austin, Woodman, Scott, Capt. Caffyn and the Hon. Secretary.

It was unanimously decided that the fee charged for the Spook Shoots held on Wednesday afternoons should be raised to 20 cents, and those held during week-ends to 30 cents. For affiliated members, these fees will be doubled.

Other business of a minor nature was then dealt with, after which the meeting stood adjourned.

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Australia's Davis Cup Decision

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The Australian Lawn Tennis Association has decided that in future Australia will challenge for the trophy in the American Zone.

Eight of the Dominion's best play-

Crawford—will head Australia's Davis Cup team.

FABIAN TO ASSIST ARSENAL

FAIRNAME AMATEUR FOOTBALLER

SCHOOL COACHING SCHEME

(By BRUCE HARRIS)

A. H. Fabian, a distinguished amateur footballer, who is games master at Highgate School, has signed amateur forms for the Arsenal club.

Fabian, who plays at inside-right, was captain of the Cambridge University side in 1931. He has since played at various times for the Corinthians, the Casuals, Derby County and Fulham.

In amateur internationals he was "capped" for England six times.

Before going to Cambridge Fabian was a pupil at the school where he now is a master. He has suggested to Mr. Allison the scheme of practical coaching by which some of the Arsenal players will help the Highgate boys next Wednesday afternoon on the school ground.

PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION

"The idea," Mr. Allison explained, "is that half a dozen Arsenal players—first and second team men—should mix-in with the boys in a practice game, during which advice will be given. This is practical as distinct from theoretical coaching."

This method of instruction is exactly what the Rev. K. R. G. Hunt, a senior colleague of Fabian at Highgate School, suggested in letter to me a year ago.

His "pet theory," as he termed it, was that the F.A. should retain the services of 20 old professionals, who would be sent out six, eight or ten at a time to play with the schools in practice games, an equal number on each side.

Now, through the good will of the Arsenal, Mr. Hunt's scheme will be demonstrated.

Northampton Town F.C. have signed R. Deacon, a wing forward from Glentoran, who has seen service with Chelsea and West Ham. They failed to secure a second forward for whom they were negotiating.

Millwall have signed John Morris, centre forward of Gravesend, centre forward of Gravesend, as an amateur.

Aston Villa have signed Charles Drinkwater, outside left of Gofers Green.

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BARGAIN BRIDE

By KATHARINE HAVILAND-TAYLOR

CHAPTER XXX.

One warming day in the middle of March Barrett decided he would ask Elinor whether he had any chance at all to make their marriage something more than an unsentimental business arrangement, to make it last for the remainder of the year but for always. His faith in her had been growing. Even to his critical eyes her conduct had been exemplary since the day he had brought her to his home.

She was doctile, sweet, gay. "And Lord, but you're dear to me!" he thought frequently as he looked at her across the cheetah table or listened to her music.

He had fallen into the habit of indulging those small gestures which indicate a comradely affection—a hand on her arm, a pat on her shoulder, a shoulder pressed to hers as they watched the unfolding of some play. Even, once and again, a hand beneath her rounded chin, raising it to ask anxiously, "Now what's wrong?"

Slowly the conviction had been growing in Barrett's mind that she was fond of him, that she really cared. She had followed him into the hall that morning as he was about to leave the house. "I'm going to Aunt Beale's after lunch," she said, "but I'll be back in time for tea. That is—I will if you'll be here."

He was engaged on a research job that had kept him away from the house more than he liked.

"Wouldn't miss it for the world," he assured her.

"Then I'll be here," she said, smiling. Almost at once she had looked away and before he could reply Higgins appeared to say that Mrs. Ridder wanted to speak to Mrs. Colvin.

"Just a moment," Higgins, Elinor answered. Barrett, stooping, kissed her lips.

"For Higgins' benefit," he explained as the butler disappeared. Then for a moment Barrett eyed her steadily. "No," he said. "I lied. I kissed you because I wanted to."

She said nothing but her smile was a little tremulous, her eyes misty. He kissed her hands suddenly as he had never kissed her lips, then turned hurriedly toward the door.

She stood where he had left her, hands above her heart, eyes closed. For weeks she had known something of his growing feeling for her. She had heard it in his voice which softened as he spoke to her. She had seen it in the hungry eyes that followed her. It had been charted, too, in his concern for her entertainment, in the flowers and books and music that had come to her from him. Almost daily

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CINEMA NEWS

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The Theatres

Perhaps one of the most remarkable things about the screening of the famous Charlotte Bronte's classic "Jane Eyre" which is the next change at the Queen's Theatre is the extraordinary resemblance of Virginia Bruce and her youthful counterpart, a little nine-year-old, Jean Darling. Both of them play the title role, little Jean as the youthful Jane who is sent to the public orphanage by her indolent foster parents, and Miss Bruce as the more mature Jane, at the time when she leaves the orphanage, and takes the position as governess in the home of Edward Rochester. Another remarkable thing about the two, is the fact that both of them are said to be the typical counterparts of Miss Bronte's famous heroine. Both are blue-eyed blondes, and both have the austere English beauty so much favoured in the Victorian era of which Miss Bronte wrote. Colin Clive plays the leading role in "Jane Eyre" opposite Miss Bruce. The production was directed by Christy Cabanne from the adaptation by Adele Comandini.

"Unknown Woman"

Danger in her arms—heaven in her kiss! She's the unknown woman, a baby-faced doll who comes out of the night looking for trouble—and finding it! Her taunting smile was a lure—for what? The amazing secret of this mysterious woman is being disclosed at the King's Theatre, where the Columbia drama, "Unknown Woman" is showing. Richard Cromwell is seen as the young lawyer who becomes involved with the tempestuous out of the night, and Marian Marsh portrays the rôle of the strange woman. Also seen in "Unknown Woman" are Douglas Dumbrille, as the head of a gang of desperadoes; Henry Armetta as the guiding spirit of an association of peddlers; and Nameless and George McRae.

Albert Rogell directed from the story by Scott Darling and the screen play by Al McMonigle and Fred Nible, Jr.

"Cast of the Curious Bride"

It's some genius had invented a workable oxygen tank for seafarers, Michael Curtis, director of the First National production, "The Case of the Curious Bride," which comes to the Star Theatre to-day, under the auspices of the Club Club, would have had a much less arduous task. Crabs, it seems, have weak hearts. They can't stand altitude. And when they go on an aviation trip, they simply can't live to tell the tale. This was discovered when a shipment of 30 big live crabs, especially selected at San Francisco's "Fisherman's

Wharf" to take their piscatorial roles called for by the "Curious Bride" script, arrived by plane in Hongkong. Without exception, the big crabs had "gone West." The altitude had proved too much for them, and in spite of their special tubs of ocean water and sea-weed, they had curled up their claws and died. Los Angeles' Harbour crabs, it is shame-facedly admitted by Southern Californians, are only about half as big as the ten-inch crabs of the Golden Gate metropolis. So they would not do. So the company packed up and went on location at San Francisco. "The Case of the Curious Bride" is a startling murder mystery melodrama based on a Perry Mason story by Erie Stanley Gardner. In the cast are Warren William, Margaret Lindsay, Claire Dodd, Donald Woods, Allen Jenkins, Phillip Reed, Barton MacLane and others. The screen play is by Tom Reed.

"The White Cockatoo"

The "White Cockatoo"—thrilling novel of Mignon G. Eberhart and said to be filled with hair-raising situations that hold the suspense to an unusual climax—is the latest attraction at the Queen's Theatre today. "The White Cockatoo," which has as its locale a French Chateau on the seacoast of France during the winter, with the winds roaring, moaning, howling and sighing incessantly through the trees surrounding the chateau, which heightened the gory and dismal atmosphere which pervades the place. The plot centres about the attempts of two bands of criminals working independently to steal the fortune of a heiress. Mysterious persons creeps about the creaky old place at night and suddenly vanishes as into thin air, a hidden chamber without doors, a girl appearing in two places at the same time and other strange phenomena add to the exciting atmosphere.

There is an all-star cast with Jean Muir and Ricardo Cortez in the romantic leads, and around whom the plot centres. Others in the cast include Ruth Donnelly, Walter Kingsford, John Eldridge, Gordon Weston, Addison Richards and Pauline Garon.

She Married Her Boss

Time will tell, but Claudette Colbert is one actress who has no fear of its message. The years that pass and those that loom ahead strike no fear into this young lady's heart. Miss Colbert, who will appear in Columbia's new romantic comedy, "She Married Her Boss," at the King's and Alhambra Theatres, looks forward with confidence. "Women give too much importance to birthdays," says Miss Colbert. "Of course, I'll change with the years and my ambitions, my viewpoints will change too. But you see, I hope to live every year to its fullest and to be eager to meet that other self as I round each corner." Every woman, the star belle, should take this slant on life.

left an hour before. "She was only here a little while," Elinor says. "She had luncheon here. Elinor says little Dick Radnor is so sweet, Barry! She saw him have his bath this morning."

He answered vaguely, adding, "Do you know where Elinor went?"

Bessie did not know. "I had the impression," she said, "that she was going straight home."

His elation was strangely exhausted. He said "thank you" and then "goodbye."

Elinor might have stopped to shop or to see some friend, he reasoned; yet suspicions that had been sleeping were suddenly aroused.

He settled moodily in the drawing room by a window to smoke continually and to frown. A French clock that stood on the mantel struck four. From the hall came the quarter hour—a full day later it seemed! She was usually in by four.

He rose and stood by the window. The lengthening chime that told half past four came from the hall.

He crushed the last of his many cigarettes and dropped it on a silver tray. Higgins appeared to ask whether Mrs. Colvin would be home for tea.

Barrett began a muttered affirmative response but the words broke in the middle of it. A motor car had paused outside—a low, open sport car. Bobby Telfair stepped from it and opened the door. Elinor, smiling, descended.

Barrett moved back from the window. So this was the explanation of her delay! This was the reason Bessie had thought Elinor was going straight home!

She came in quickly, her step eager. She waited until he had particularly looked forward to the ruler ten hours with Barrett who had killed her that morning because he wanted to.

She had gone from Bessie's to see Philip, who was ill. She wanted to tell Barrett about Philip. She had not as yet. Elinor dreaded his censuring Philip for taking as much from her as he had and she had not been able to nerve herself to combat with Barrett nor to threaten, through any confidence, the growing peace and happiness of their hours together.

The fact that she had not told Barrett about Philip weighed her essentially truthful mind.

"Bobby!" she called eagerly from the doorway. He turned stiffly.

"I'm so sorry to be late," she said, moving toward him. Would he kiss her again? "I was delayed. I didn't meet me and picked me up."

The words stopped. All too evidently Elinor could see in the man's stony eyes that he did not believe her.

(To Be Continued.)

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E/Russia	Feb. 26	Feb. 28	Mar. 1	Mar. 3	Mar. 5	Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 19	Mar. 24
E/Asia	Mar. 20	Mar. 22	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	Mar. 28	Mar. 28	April 6	April 22
E/Canada	April 3	April 5	April 8	April 10	April 17	April 22	April 22	May 4	May 10
E/Russia	April 17	April 19	April 21	April 23	April 25	July 3	July 9	July 14	July 27
E/Japan	May 1	May 3	May 10	May 21	May 23	June 3	June 5	June 12	June 17
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E/Canada	July 24	July 26	July 28	July 30	July 31	Aug. 11	Aug. 13	Aug. 15	Aug. 24
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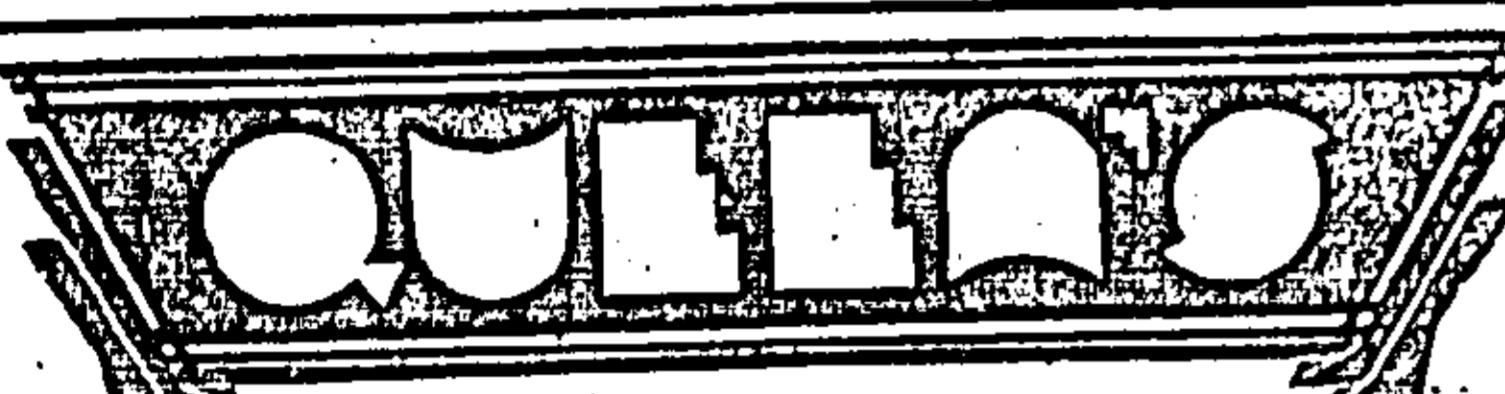
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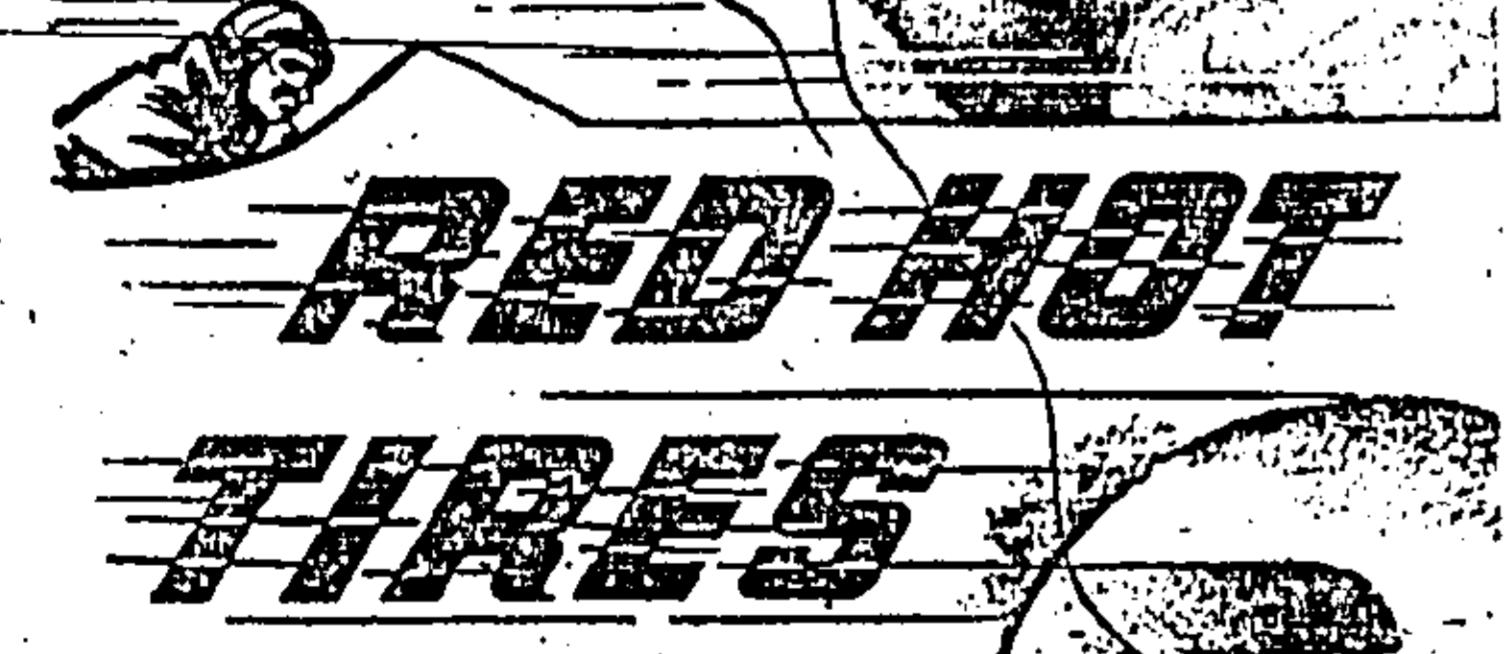
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A summons in which Chan Yuen, described as a salesman, and assistant manager of the Ng Fuk coffin shop, of No. 13 Waterloo Road, alleged that he was assaulted by Leung Yau, District Watchman No. 91, outside No. 48 Portland Street on December 23 last, was heard by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon. Defendant was discharged.

Mr. P. H. Sin appeared on behalf of the complainant. Inspector K. W. Andrew, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, and Detective-Sub-Inspector R. Cunningham were present.

Mr. Sin in outlining the case stated that it was alleged that complainant was assaulted by the defendant on December 23 last outside No. 48 Portland Street. It was also alleged that defendant gave complainant several blows. The parties went to the Yuamui Police Station and later on the same day complainant was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital where he was kept until December 31.

Dr. Yu Chin-kwong, medical officer attached to the Kowloon Hospital, testified to having examined complainant when he was admitted to hospital on December 26. Witness found that the man had a bruise below the right collar bone. The man complained of pain in the chest. There was also a bruise on the left forearm. There was a small abrasion in front of the neck and another on the lower part of the right wrist.

Injuries Not Serious

When witness saw the patient he was suffering from some degree of shock, slight pallor of the face and was sweating over the forehead. His pulse beats were rapid and low tension.

The injuries described were not serious, but the man was admitted to hospital because of the degree of shock. An X-ray examination was made but no injury of the ribs or lungs was seen.

The bruise first described could not have produced such a degree of pain as the man complained.

The symptoms of shock shown by the man could also have been produced by extreme anger.

Complainant stated that as he was passing No. 48 Portland Street on the day in question he saw a crowd of people who were gambling. They got up and ran away as witness was passing and he was immediately seized by the defendant and struck. Witness asked why he had been struck, and defendant did not reply but pulled up his coat and showed his revolver and said, "Don't move or I will kill you."

Defendant then went and picked up some cards. At this time witness was feeling a great pain and he, folded his arms and held his stomach. When witness again asked why he had been struck, defendant struck him on the back and below the ear. Witness was pulled along and struck several times again.

After walking for a little while a man came up and told defendant not to strike witness, and defendant replied, "He has been too saucy, and struck him again. By that time witness had been struck so much he was senseless.

The man who intervened was a district watchman.

Evidence was then given by Wong Yau, shroff of the Tor Fook coffin shop, who stated that he saw complainant being struck twice.

Veracity of Truth

When asked if he had any questions to put to this witness defendant alleged that he was telling lies, whereupon Mr. Sin interrupted and asked his Worship to warn defendant against attacking the character of the witness.

His Worship pointed out that it was not an attack on the character of the witness but that he was only questioning the veracity of the truth of his evidence. It happened every day where witness had said things which they believed to be true, but which in fact were not.

In his evidence defendant denied having struck the complainant, and alleged that he was he who was assaulted by complainant, who struck him, and when witness tried to blow his police whistle, grabbed him by the throat, and threw the whistle away.

In summing up his Worship stated that it was known that gambling was going on. Complainant was in the vicinity and was dressed the same as the coolies who were gambling and he was arrested.

Although he was dressed the same as the coolies, he was of a superior class. He was a salesman and an assistant manager of a shop and it would have been an extreme "loss of face" if it was known that he had been caught gambling with coolies, and there was his reason for resistance of arrest.

Want Special Treatment

Defendant was perfectly entitled, and it was his duty, to use force in the execution of his duty. That, however, was a serious matter. It was recalled that an inquiry was held recently into the death of a Chinese man who allegedly snatched a purse and was slain. He was shot and killed by a Chinese detective and the jury very properly returned a verdict of "justifiable homicide."

There were lots of people, especially in that district, who thought that they were entitled to special treatment when they were arrested in suspicious circumstances, although they might be perfectly innocent.

They must submit to arrest and quickly and if they resisted the officer was entitled to use force.

On the face of the facts, complainant made a complaint, he went to hospital and had to be X-rayed and stayed there for five days, and all he had was a bump on the chest.

The complainant, it will be recalled, was fined \$2 when he appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy on January 6 and was convicted on a charge of gambling.

The police do not admit that any students were killed but state that some were injured. A state of emergency was still in force this afternoon as a precautionary measure. Further student outbreaks are

CANTON TROUBLE

FOREIGN CONSULS PRECAUTION

Canton, Jan. 14. The military action taken to curb the student troubles has proved effective as all demonstrations ceased to-day. Stringent martial law is still enforced all over the City.

The British Consulate has sent circular notices to British subjects here advising them not to remain in the native city after 8 at night in order to avoid any chance of being searched, or even detained. Similar steps have been taken by other Consulates.—Reuters.

Monday's Shooting

Canton, Jan. 14. From most accounts concerning Monday afternoon's riot, it appears that while about a thousand students were demonstrating on Lai Che Wan Road near the Yuamui Police Station and later on the same day complainant was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital where he was kept until December 31.

Dr. Yu Chin-kwong, medical officer attached to the Kowloon Hospital, testified to having examined complainant when he was admitted to hospital on December 26. Witness found that the man had a bruise below the right collar bone. The man complained of pain in the chest. There was also a bruise on the left forearm. There was a small abrasion in front of the neck and another on the lower part of the right wrist.

The students, including many girls, defended with whatever weapons they could find.

After the riot it was found that one student was missing and he is believed to have been killed and his body taken away.

Five students were seriously wounded and many suffered slight injuries. The condition of one of the wounded who was taken to the Yu Woo Hospital is considered critical.

Martial Law Rules

Canton, Jan. 14. With the City still seething with excitement and uneasiness, General Miao-Pui-nam hurriedly assumed the post as Martial Law Commander-in-Chief. The former Ironsides General has issued a lengthy statement warning the students against further anti-Japanese agitations. It is explained that the authorities fear that reactionary elements may take advantage of the patriotic movement to achieve their own ends.

During the period of martial law enforcement no assembly is permitted in Canton proper without permission from the Police or Martial Law Headquarters.

Labourers, merchants and students' strikes will be severely dealt with.

The Martial Law authorities may at any time open and censor letters and telegrams.

They may also confiscate or delay newspapers, magazines and other publications.

The Martial Law authorities are empowered to search all steamers, trains or suspend the same within a short moment's notice.

The authorities may seize and confiscate any privately owned arms, ammunition and dangerous explosives. (In this connection it is alleged that some of the student demonstrators on Monday afternoon were armed with pistols.)

Armed police and troops will be stationed in all suburbs to check disturbances.

Students' Demand

Canton, Jan. 14. After yesterday afternoon's demonstration and bloodshed, leaders of the student demonstrators marched to the South-west Political Council, the highest political authority here.

On arrival the students found that the officials were well prepared for such a visit, as two fire engines with a number of hoses and a full regiment of gendarmes heavily armed were found standing by.

General Chan Chai-tong, Commander-in-Chief and Mr. Chow Lu, both members of the Council, happened to be there at the moment discussing measures to check the anti-Japanese agitation. The officials granted an audience with the students to hear their grievance.

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To their first demand the Chancellor of the Chianghsien University, Mr. Chow Lu, promised that the Government would release the students detained, but said that they had no knowledge of the student reported killed. Mr. Chow Lu promised to investigate the whole situation.

Chow Lu Asked to Carry On

Canton, Jan. 14. Nanking officials including Marshal Chang Kai-shek have sent personal telegrams to Mr. Chow Lu, Chancellor of Sun Yat-sen University, urging him to withdraw his resignation and stating that student releases should not be taken too seriously in view of similar happenings in other parts of the country.

In his evidence defendant denied having struck the complainant, and alleged that he was he who was assaulted by complainant, who struck him, and when witness tried to blow his police whistle, grabbed him by the throat, and threw the whistle away.

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Chow Lu is requested to go to Nanking with Mr. Hu Han-min.

Mr. Chow's resignation and petition for his own reprimand was also reflected this morning by the South-west Political Council, which asked the University to continue its efforts and to give guidance to the patriotic activities of the students so as to keep them out of mischief.

Fatality Denied

A company of gendarmes is stationed at the university campus at Shek Po in order to prevent further disturbances. The middle school compound in Man Ming Road is similarly guarded and has become headquarters of the National Salvation Volunteer Corps. During recent troubles, a nephew of General Chan Chai-tong and a nephew of Lieutenant General Miao-Pui-nam, the Chief-of-Staff, were injured.

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IMPROVED PLANE

VICKERS PRODUCES NEW MACHINE FOR R.A.F.

London, Jan. 14. A revolution in load-carrying, range and speed is promised by the new Vickers aeroplane for the Royal Air Force. The plane is capable of flying 37 m.p.h. faster, 4,200 feet higher and nearly two and a half times faster than any ordinary biplane of good performance.

The secrets in geodetic construction of the wings, resembling the web of a spider, made of strips of metal eliminating all internal struts and tie-rods, resulting in 30 per cent gain in weight.

The interior of the wings is thus available for many purposes, including passengers' cabins in commercial aeroplanes.—Reuters.

New R.A.F. Recruits

London, Jan. 14.

Several hundred boys were medically examined this week at the various establishments of the Royal Air Force, where they have finished their schooling while training as mechanics.—Reuters.

New Plane Record

New York, Jan. 14.

The film producer, Mr. Howard Hughes, established a new trans-continental flight record when he landed at New York in 9 hours, 27 minutes 10 seconds after leaving Los Angeles. The previous record was held by Colonel Roscoe Turner, whose time was 10 hours, 2 minutes, 51 seconds.—Reuters.

Stringent Precautions

Canton, Jan. 14.

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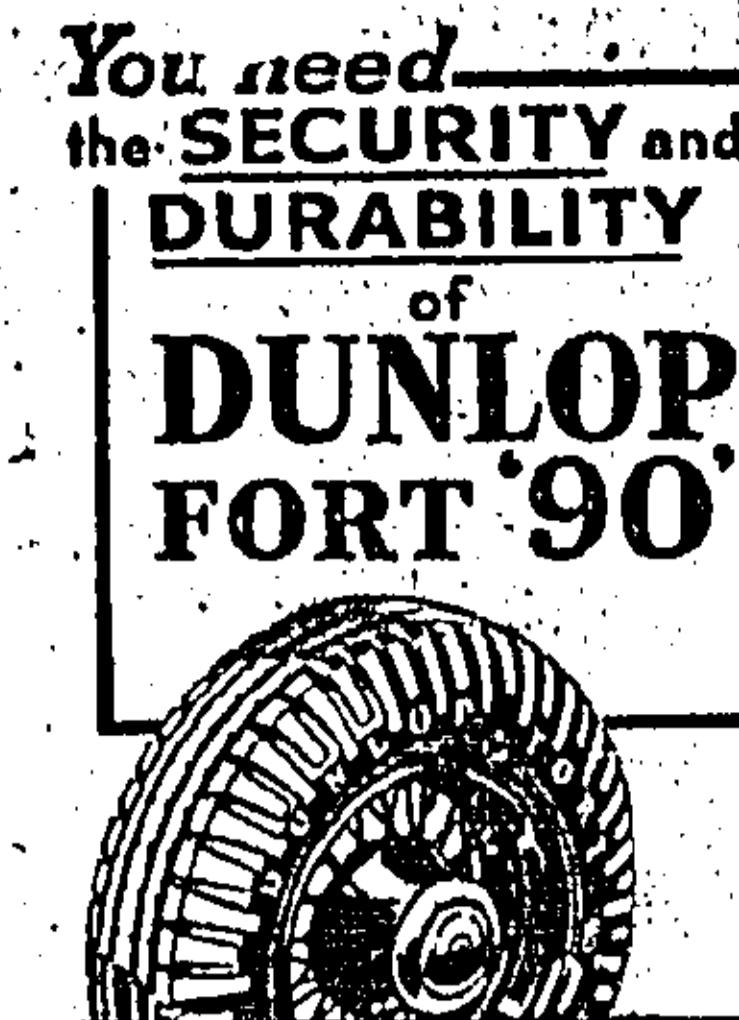
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JAPANESE PREDICT NAVAL RACE

FOREIGN OFFICE SILENT

WILL NOT PREDICT DEVELOPMENTS

COMMERCIAL CIRCLES APPREHENSIVE

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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The Foreign Office is not informed regarding the London despatches that the Naval Conference will be postponed until Friday.

A spokesman of the Foreign Office said he would be delighted if this were true, because it would enable him to attend the wrestling matches.

While a multitude of despatches from London have been received indicating that the conference is nearing its end, the Foreign Office refrains from making any prediction. It is understood that the Japanese delegation at the next meeting of the nations' representatives will further explain Tokyo's proposals for a common upper limit of naval armaments, after which the other delegates will reply.

The spokesman understands that in the event of other powers rejecting the parity proposal, the Japanese delegates will notify the conference chairman that Japan considers it useless to keep her delegation in London.

In the event that four powers, with possible additions, decide to continue the Naval Conference Japan will then decide whether to send observers or remain entirely outside the meeting.

The spokesman understands that the other powers desire Japan to appoint an observer, and therefore in the event of such a desire being expressed Japan will probably comply.

This statement is taken to indicate that Japan will not request permission to assign an observer unless he is assured of a welcome.

Newspaper financial writers are already envisioning a treaty-less period. They predict a building race with an attendant boom for the munitions industries. However, they see possibilities that other powers, through an unwritten but tacit understanding, will attempt to curb Japan's commercial advances.

The *Hoshi Shimbun* asserts that considerable nervousness exists in financial and industrial circles on account of the possibility that other powers might insist on more stringent commercial treaties with Japan. This journal says that some business men fear that revision of the Japanese-India treaty, which is scheduled for revision next June, may encounter difficulties. It also suggests that a treaty-less situation may exist in exchange fluctuations.

NANKING PARLEY

MANY DELEGATES ATTENDING EDUCATIONAL HEADS

Nanking, Jan. 15. Another 150 educational delegates arrived to-day for the conference with General Chiang Kai-shek, of whom 52 are college presidents or professors of secondary schools, and 70 students.

In view of the large number of delegates, it is understood that the Generalissimo is receiving them in batches, the first interview to be given to-morrow afternoon.

The delegates are visiting the Sun Yat-sen mausoleum to-morrow morning.

Three students claiming to be representatives of the Peiping and Tientsin Students' Union arrived to-day. They are not attending the students' conference, but are proceeding to Shanghai shortly to attempt to organize a National Students' Union.

—Reuter.

DIPLOMATIC CALLS
Nanking, Jan. 15. Mr. Chang Chuan this afternoon returned. Sir Alexander Cadogan's courtesy visit, and is receiving Dr. Trautmann, the German Ambassador, to-morrow afternoon.—Reuter.

DANGER SEEN IN PACIFIC

HONGKONG MAY BE KEY-POINT

NAVAL RACE FEARED

London, Jan. 15. The Japanese withdrawal from the Naval Conference may be followed by developments in the Pacific of a serious nature, according to the *Daily Telegraph* naval correspondent.

He writes that should America decide to carry out her plan of creating naval bases, Great Britain might be compelled to reconsider her position in the Far East.

He gives as example the situation at Hongkong. The defences of that port have not been touched for sixteen years and are now out of date.

This correspondent further avers that Japan's action would not start a naval building race between Britain and the United States who have already come to an understanding concerning the relative strength of their fleets, which rules out the possibility of competitive building between them.

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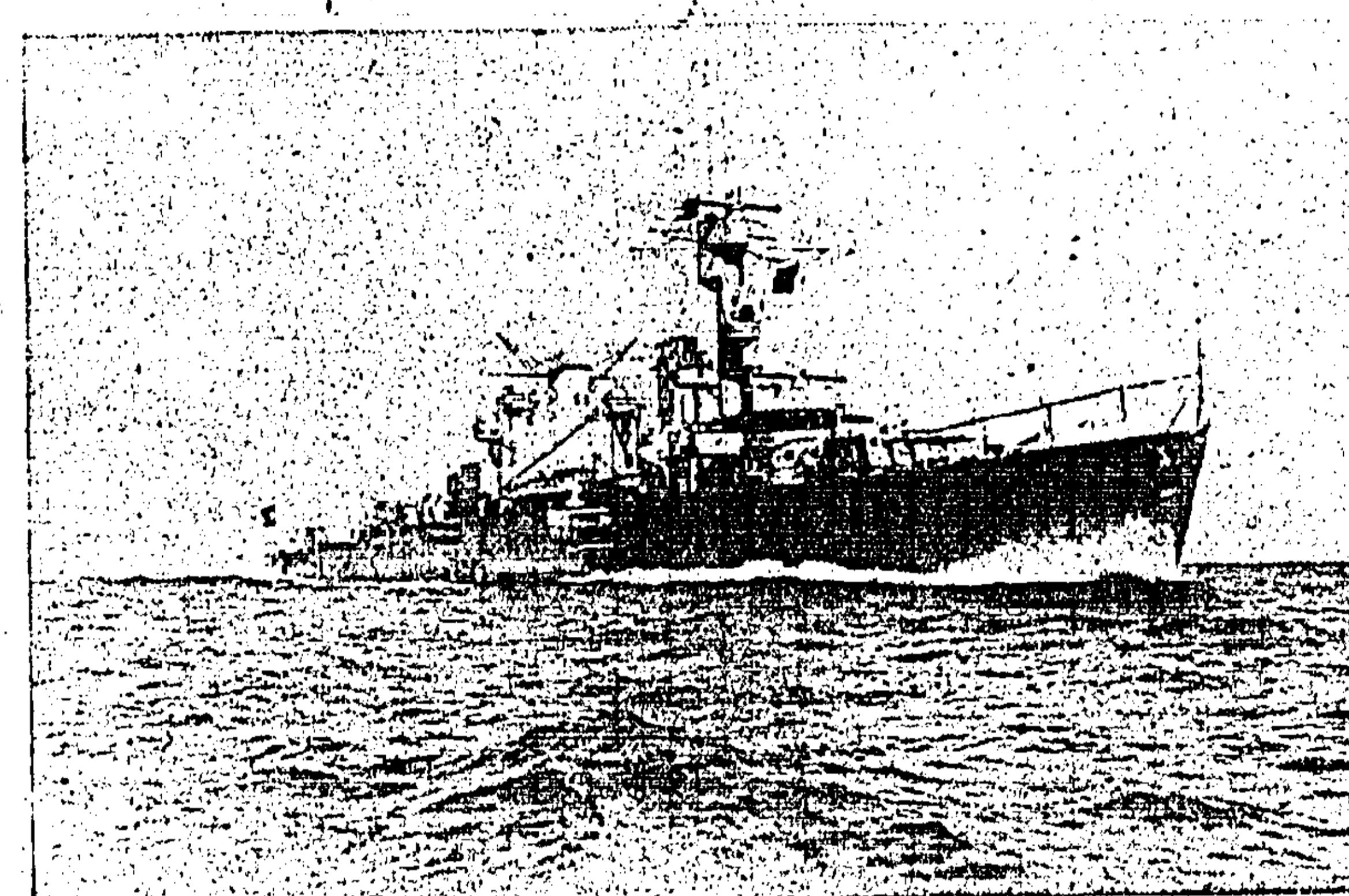
Widow Held For Murder

UNSOLVED MYSTERY OF 1928

(Special to "Telegraph")

Los Angeles, Jan. 14. A Grand Jury has indicted the beautiful Mrs. Hazel Belford Glad, on charges of murdering her husband, John L. Glad, in June, 1928. The charge is based on an unsworn statement on the woman's testimony that she heard a shot and ran from her home and found that John had been shot to death in his automobile.

However, Mrs. Glad's recent conviction for forging the will of Mr. Albert Cheney, an aged capitalist, who died in her apartment. It was later shown that the will had been forged and had lost her \$400,000.—United Press.



The German light cruiser Karlshorst, which is due in Hongkong on February 7 and will stay in port for ten days. She will be the first German warship to visit Hongkong since the Great War. Her commander is Captain Siegmund and her Chief Officer is Commander Rogge. Both participated in the Battle of Jutland.

CHINA'S POLICY ATTACKED

SENATOR PITTMAN CRITICAL

SILVER NOW USELESS

(Special to "Telegraph")

Washington, Jan. 14.

Senator Pittman's office has released the text of the Senator's remarks made on Monday regarding the Chinese silver programme.

He said: "The Chinese Government and others have been frightened and induced to permit foolish acts looking to the destruction of the very policy and programme which the United States was attempting to carry out largely for the benefit of such divided Governments."

"China first caused an outflow of silver by threatening an export embargo and also nationalised, which caused the people to withdraw their silver. Nationalisation has made silver useless, and it is therefore smuggled from China and transferred to the provinces."

"Then it was attempted to place China on a managed currency basis. Recent reports assert that the new policy is a failure."

"The Chinese rightly fear paper money by which they are often defrauded. Press reports say that the Government is able only temporarily to control the monetary policy of three or four provinces."

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DEFENCE OF KENYA

PROBLEMS BEING REVIEWED

(Special to "Telegraph")

Nairobi, Jan. 14. It is announced that as a result of representations made by the Committee of Imperial Defence, the questions of the internal defence of Kenya are being reviewed.

These include the future of the existing compulsory defence force.

—Reuter Special.

FLEET MANOEUVRES

London, Jan. 14. The British Fleet, including the battleships Rodney and Nelson, sailed for Gibraltar on schedule.

The French fleet will leave its base on Thursday and will manoeuvre in the same waters. It will be preceded by a submarine flotilla.—United Press.

REPRIEVE NOW ONLY ESCAPE

HAUPTMANN MAKES LAST EFFORT

HABEAS CORPUS WRIT REFUSED

TRONTO, N.J., Jan. 14.

In a last desperate attempt to save Bruno Hauptmann from the electric chair, to which he has been condemned for the murder of the Lindbergh baby, his lawyers to-day drafted a petition to which the Swedish Red Cross unit in Ethiopia was subjected by Italian aeroplanes.

The petition alleges that Hauptmann's constitutional rights were violated at his trial.

Mr. James Willentz, Attorney-General of New Jersey, who is reliably informed that Governor Hoffman of New Jersey will reprieve Hauptmann.—Reuter.

WRIT REFUSED

TRENTON, N.J., Jan. 14.

Richard Bruno Hauptmann's application for a writ of *habeas corpus*

was refused and a stay of execution

was granted.

—Reuter.

KIPLING MAINTAINS IMPROVEMENT

But Condition Still Causes Anxiety

LONDON, Jan. 14.

The improvement in Mr. Rudyard Kipling's condition was being maintained at 5.20 p.m. An enquiry regarding the patient's condition was made on behalf of Their Majesties the King and Queen early in the morning.

A later bulletin, issued at 8 p.m., stated that the patient's condition still gave rise to grave anxiety.

—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

NAVAL EXPERTS IN CONFERENCE

DECIDING ON PROCEDURE

LONDON, Jan. 14.

An informal meeting between the British and American delegations to the Naval Conference took place at the Foreign Office this morning, to discuss the question of procedure at the next meeting of the First Committee of the Conference, now fixed for to-morrow afternoon. Later, the British delegation was in touch with other delegations.

The meetings of the First Committee have been suspended since the middle of last week, owing to negotiations arising from the desire of the Japanese to bring back into the discussion a proposal for a common upper limit which was considered during the earlier meetings and failed to find favour among the other delegations.

Newspapers anticipate that with to-morrow's meeting, the position, which has been somewhat obscure for several days, will be clarified, though it is not known whether Japan's participation in the future work of the Conference will be modified in character or not, or even discontinued.

To-day's informal exchanges between the various delegations were conducted in an atmosphere of great cordiality.—British Wireless.

—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

CROP LOAN APPROVED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.

The House Agriculture Committee reported favorably to-day on the Jones Bill, which provides for \$40,000,000 for crop loans.

Meanwhile Senator Bankhead has suggested the retroactive re-enactment of the processing tax law.—United Press.

—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

—MORE MILLIONS

ROME, Jan. 14.

A Royal Gazette to-day authorizes

an extra appropriation of \$40,000,000

for the East Africa campaign.

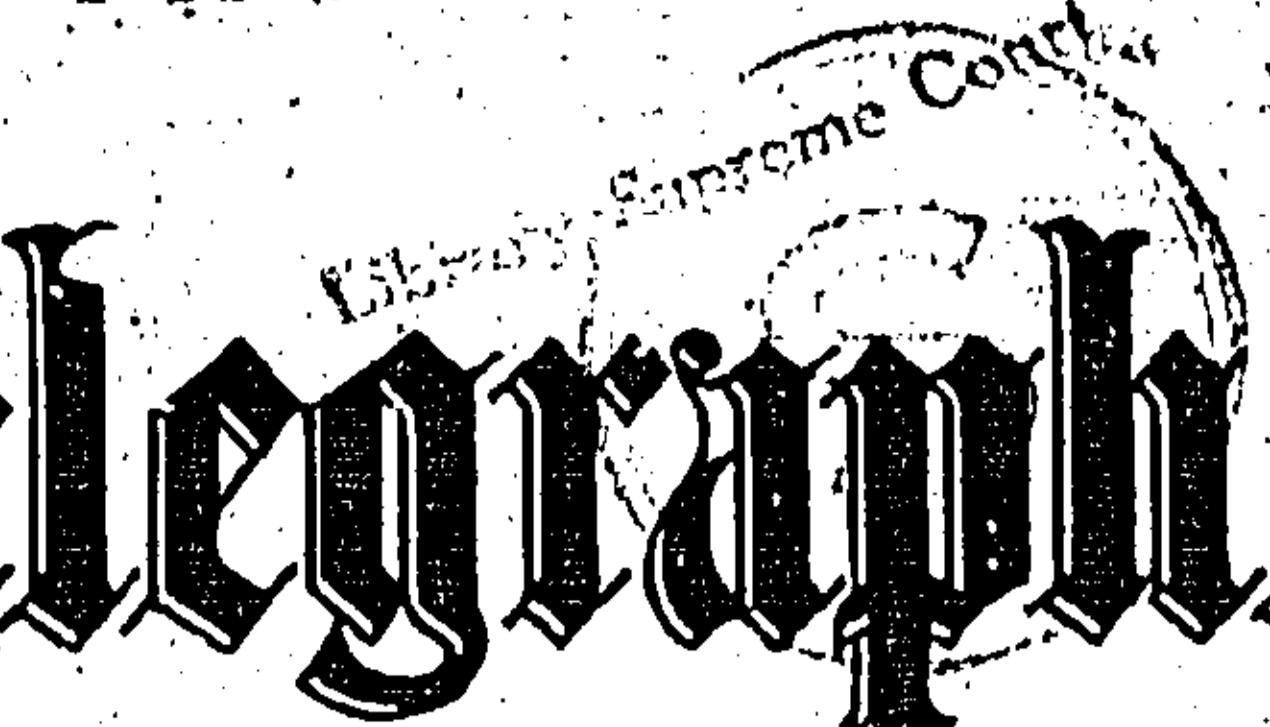
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BIG OFFENSIVE EXPECTED

MAKALE OBJECTIVE OF ETHIOPIANS

ITALY DENIES PROMISE MADE TO LAVAL

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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PARIS, Jan. 14.

Despatches from Addis Ababa indicate that another Ethiopian offensive in the Tigre region with Makale as its objective, will be launched on January 20, the date of the Geneva meeting at which further sanctions against Italy will be considered.

This view is supported by the fact that Emperor Haile Selassie has written from Dessie to the head of the Catholic Church, saying that he has sent all his soldiers to the front and that he hopes to leave himself for the fighting lines the day after the Feast of Timke, which is the Ethiopian church's Epiphany and which falls on January 20. The Emperor enjoins the head of the church to pray for the troops who are going to battle.

It appears that the Church dignitary wished to prevent the Emperor leaving Dessie and risking his person in the coming engagements, but the Emperor is determined upon personally leading his soldiers.

Another indication that an offensive is about to begin is that Dedazmach Kemed, who has been under the orders of Ras Getachew in the Aussa Desert, has received instructions to reinforce the Tigre front with all his men.—Reuter Special.

ITALIAN DENIAL

Rome, Jan. 14.

The report that Signor Vittorio Corrucci, the Italian Ambassador in Paris, has assured M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, that Italy will not leave the League of Nations if sanctions are extended, has been denied in official quarters to-day.

It is explained that Italy retains full liberty of action and has not announced any decision in advance.

Reports that Signor Corrucci also told M. Laval that Italy would not attack Great Britain's fleet in the Mediterranean are described as supurious. It is added that, in any event, Italy contemplates no act of aggression.

It is explained that Italy's improved shipbuilding is shown in Lloyd's returns for the quarter ended December 31. The total of 1,453,162 tons, excluding Russia, from which no figures are available, is the highest for any quarter since June, 1931. Of this total 48.2 per cent. is building for Britain and Ireland.

The figure exceeds the aggregate under construction of seven leading countries abroad, amongst which Germany heads the list with 254,121 tons, followed by Japan with 118,010 tons.

It is also revealed that 311,100 tons were begun in Britain during the last three months.

Steam and motor oil-tankers are being constructed to a total of 485,560 tons. Britain again heads the list in numbers and tonnage. Half the tonnage being constructed for Britain on December 31 related to motor ships.—Reuter.

The spokesman assembled that new peace plans had been formulated in Rome.—United Press.

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U. S. Ship Subsidy Menace And Hongkong

BRITISH SERVICES IN THE PACIFIC

The decision of British shipping companies to withdraw their services from the Pacific may seriously affect Hongkong, according to a Correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph.

The writer states that, in addition to the Canada-Australia and San Francisco-Australia British services, existing British services between Hongkong and Vancouver may be affected.

The service between Vancouver and Sydney, via New Zealand, is run by the Canadian-Australian Line, a subsidiary of the P. & O. line. Similarly the service between San Francisco and Sydney is run by this line.

The Vancouver-Sydney service has already been suspended, as a protest against the subsidy granted American liners by the U.S. Government. This subsidy, it is stated, makes it impossible for British vessels to compete with the Americans on Pacific waters.

It is interesting to note that the subsidy is paid to American vessels trading between the United States and Hongkong in competition with the unsubsidized Canadian Pacific line.

The withdrawal of British shipping from the Pacific was referred to last month by the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, who urged the British Government to co-operate with the Dominions of Canada and Australia to preserve these services, and by Sir Alan Anderson, deputy chairman of the Orient Steam Navigation Co.

The Liverpool Chamber of Commerce passed the following resolution:

That the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce views with grave concern the recent announcement of the withdrawal of Empire ships linking Australia and New Zealand with San Francisco, and the possibility in the near future of a similar withdrawal of the Canadian-Australian Line services between such Dominions and Vancouver, and of the British services between Vancouver and Hongkong.

That the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce regards such withdrawals as a menace to the independence of the British Empire and the development of its trade.

The termination of such services will result in the flag of the British Merchant Marine being driven off routes served for many years by British shipping, and would break a vital link in Empire communications.

Further it sees in this development that unemployment will be accentuated in the shipping and shipbuilding industries.

The Council of the Chamber accordingly most earnestly draws the attention of His Majesty's Government to the immediate necessity for reaching a policy of co-operation with the Governments of the Dominions to preserve the existence of British Empire shipping services on the Pacific routes.

Subsidised Competition

Sir Alan Anderson was speaking at the annual meeting of the Orient Steam Navigation Co. in London.

Subsidised foreign competition, he said, would secure for the American lines a monopoly of the Pacific route to Australia unless the British Empire sustained the old-established British lines on the Pacific.

The British lines were not being driven off the sea by their own failure. They were not asking for subsidy to shelter or condone inefficiency, but a private purse could compete against the concentrated wealth of a great nation.

Sir Alan added that the title "third class" was out of date for ships, and denoted conditions which were also out of date. Third class passengers, who for more than 50 years were such important customers, had now practically ceased to travel to Australia.

The tourist class continued to attract a large share of the travelling public, but it was doubtful if even a sharp reduction of rates would induce a flow of cheap traffic.

When the alterations they intended carrying out to the "Orama," "Oronsay," and "Otranto" were completed, they would choose an appropriate title under which to offer the public travel at a rate lower and conditions less luxurious than tourists.

The Hon. Alexander Shaw, chairman of the P. & O., announcing at the general meeting of the company, on December 11 the withdrawal of the Australasia-San Francisco service, said this was due to the disastrous effect of highly subsidised foreign competition.

It was stated on Sunday that Mr. Lyons, Australian Prime Minister, would probably suggest a conference of the British, Australian and New Zealand Governments to consider the problem of British shipping in the Pacific.

Suits For Men

SCIENTIST'S RAINBOW HUED WAISTCOATS

Veteran of 87 Women's Dress Sets Example

If you want to make the world a brighter place, wear coloured clothes.

This is the advice of the veteran scientist Professor Henry E. Armstrong, who is 87 and who was elected to the Royal Society nearly 60 years ago.

Recently he appeared at a dinner in the Working Men's College, St. Pancras, N.W., wearing a magenta waistcoat with one

respondent. But I was disappointed—his garb was no gayer than my own. He wore a sober blue serge suit, white shirt and soft collar, with a blue-and-white spotted tie and brown shoes.

I expressed my disappointment.

He shot an amused glance at me from under his bushy, white eyebrows and said: "Yes, I'm not very gay to-day, it's true, but I've plenty of bright things to wear whenever I feel the need for colour."

"I've waistcoats in all the colours of the rainbow—all my own ideas. I wear them when I feel that a touch of colour would be a tonic."

"Everybody ought to wear coloured clothes," Professor Armstrong went on in his sharp, emphatic way. "Do them good. The world's a very dull place to-day."

I suggested that women, at any rate, were doing their best to put a little brightness into life with their clothes.

Men "Improving"

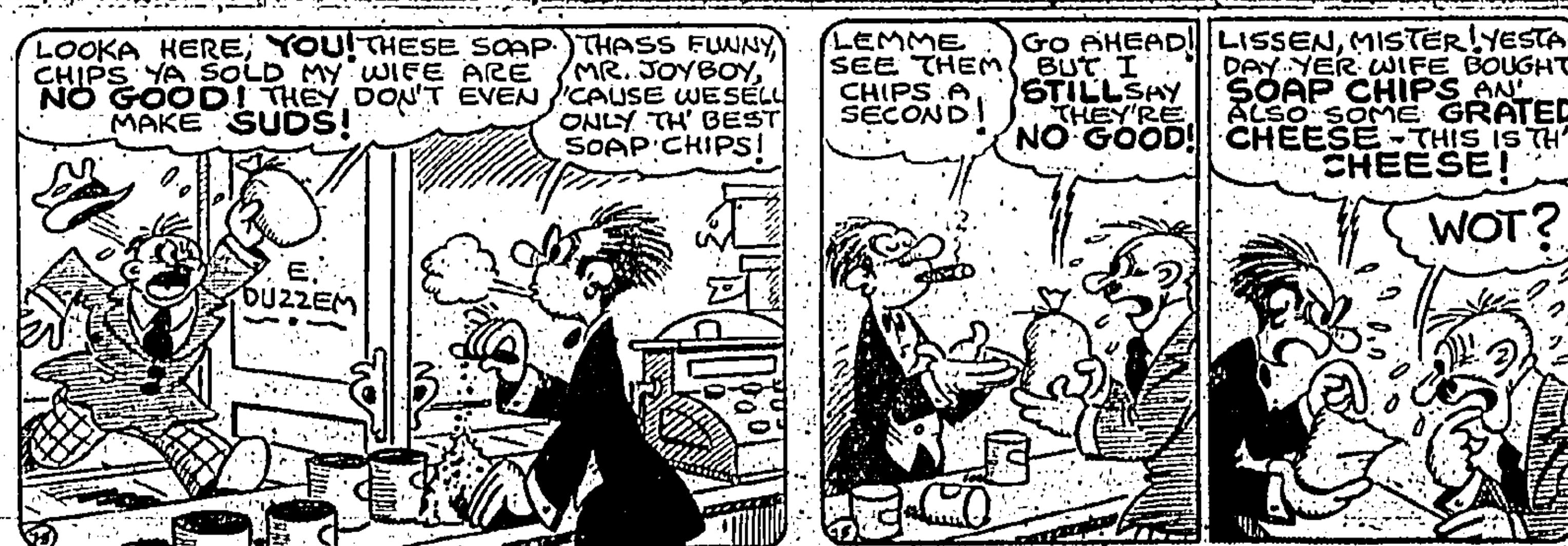
The professor shook his head impatiently. "Not a bit of it!" he declared. "Women are almost as afraid of colours as men are. In the summer they wear practically nothing, and in these dreary winter days they go about looking more drab than we men do."

"As for men, they're improving slowly, and beginning to wear tweeds of brighter colours. But the trouble with them is that they are afraid of looking conspicuous—they won't do a thing unless everybody else is doing it."

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F287. SERENADE. (Heykens) VOLGA SONG. (Léhar) Organ Solos. Marcel Palotti

F285. WHENEVER I THINK. I FEEL A SONG COMIN' ON. Vocal. Leslie Hutchinson.

F286. EAST OF THE SUN. MY HEART IS HAUNTED. Vocal. Leslie Hutchinson.

F283. THE GHOST OF DINAH. F. T. TRUCKIN'. F. T. Nat Gonella & His Georgians.

F284. OH PETER. PIDGIN ENGLISH HULA. Nat Gonella & His Georgians.

F282. GESHWIM FOX TROT MEDLEY. Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins

R2126. SWING, BROTHER, SWING. F. T. NICKEL IN THE SLOT. F. T. Wingy Mannone & His Orch.

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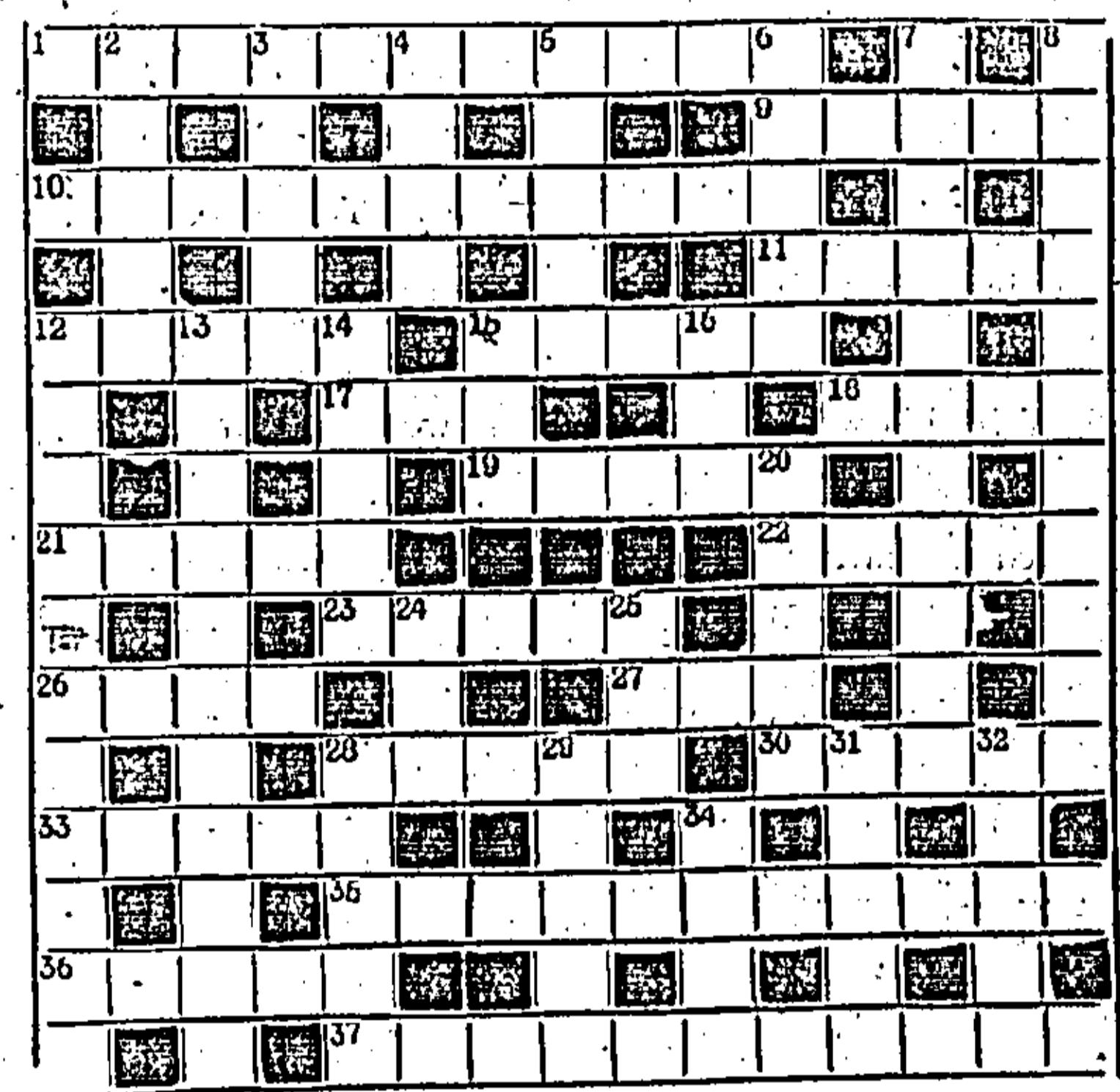
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1 Description of a mean boxer two words).

9 Perhaps an eyot but apparently has a tenant.

10 This old English sport might be tried on the Stock Exchange (two words).

11 Drive.

12 No, a sailor cannot sleep in this part of the rigging.

13 "Send ten more" (anag.).

14 Strained.

15 Exclaim.

16 Some games on 35 across.

20 Destruction.

24 Touchstone describes the Circumstantial and the Direct variety of thin.

25 Much like reverence.

26 Either of two S Coast resorts.

29 Vessel made of nothing beside light wood.

31 Part of the body that includes 14 across.

32 This man is often satisfied with this after 500 at the beginning of this.

34 Euphemism for secondhand."

Yesterday's Solution.

7 The progress of this disease is often arrested.

8 This market merchant is not so young after all (two words).

12 One's peculiarity.

13 "Send ten more" (anag.).

14 Strained.

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Down

2 A parasitic worm.

3 Suitable material for a sailor's clothes?

4 Plant used for decorative purposing and often having a meaning.

5 Mythical creature.

6 With this finger, of course, one shows the gardener his job.



"I AM INNOCENT AND I SHALL PROVE IT: DR. RUXTON COMMITTED TO STAND TRIAL



DR. RUXTON.

DEFENCE RESERVED IN SENSATIONAL CASE

POLICE CHIEF TELLS OF ALL-NIGHT INTERVIEW: "STAINS LIKE BLOOD"

DR. BUCK RUXTON, the 36-years-old medical practitioner, of Dalton-square, Lancaster, will stand his trial at Manchester Assizes on Wednesday next week on charges of murdering, at his home between September 14 and 29, Isobel Ruxton, aged 35, and Miss Mary Jane Rogerson, 20-years-old nursemaid to his children.

When committal charges were heard at Lancaster last month Ruxton said: "I sincerely plead not guilty and reserve my defence and I shall prove it."

He then broke down and sobbed, "It is too much."

The prosecution alleged during the police court hearing, which lasted 12 days, that dismembered human remains found in a ravine at Moffat, Dumfriesshire, were those of the subjects of the two charges.

During the evidence at committal proceedings, the name of Mr. R. J. Edmondson was mentioned. He is a 22-years-old solicitor to Lancaster Corporation who, it has been stated, was one of a party which paid a week-end visit to Edinburgh and which also included his parents and Mrs. Ruxton.

Detective-Inspector William Green, of the Lancashire County Police, stationed at Morecambe, said that on October 11 he was making inquiries into the disappearance of Mary Jane Rogerson, and called at Lancaster borough police office, where he saw Dr. Ruxton.

"I said to the doctor," the officer went on, "How do you know Mary Rogerson was in a certain condition?" He replied "I have not examined her, but it does not require a doctor's examination to tell that."

"I said 'What time did Mrs. Ruxton and the maid leave the house on September 17?' and he said 'My wife is always changing her mind.'

We had arranged that we should all go away for the day, and I got up early. We had not arranged to go anywhere in particular."

"When she told me that she had changed her mind and who was going to Edinburgh and taking Mary with her I was not surprised, as she was always changing her mind."

"About 9.15 a.m. I was in the bathroom when she tapped at the door and said, 'I am going, dear.'

I replied 'All right,' something like that, I am not certain of the exact words."

Writing On Photograph

Mr. Edwin Slinger (for Ruxton) questioned Inspector Green about some writing on the back of a photograph which the officer said he had erased on the instructions of Mr. G. R. Palling, prosecuting. The inspector explained that the photograph had been handed to him by a journalist who he had interviewed no one.

Dr. Ruxton suddenly interrupted: "Is this your fair way of British justice?"

The chairman of the magistrates and Mr. Slinger motioned to him to be silent, but Dr. Ruxton went on: "I am not shouting. He intentionally erred it."

Mr. Slinger: "If there is any shouting I will do the shouting this year."

Among his possessions, did you find a letter dated September 26, which purported to have been written by the doctor to his wife at Edinburgh?

No. On October 12 you telephoned for the doctor to come and see you?

I am going to put it to you that you did not call the doctor to come and see you?

And the doctor replied: "Yes, but it will take me at least five minutes to come, because I have to see the children?" Yes.

And the doctor subsequently arrived at your office?—Yes.

Chief Constable In Box

Mr. Henry James Vann, Chief Constable of Lancaster, said that on October 11 he saw Dr. Ruxton at the police office. "I said," he went on: "It would be desirable that a photograph of your wife should be circulated as this would assist in tracing her, and you have told me that you are anxious that she should be found."

"It will be necessary for you to give me a written authority for the reproduction of the photographs in the newspapers." Dr. Ruxton signed an authority.

"When I saw the doctor later, he had a newspaper in his hand. He came towards me and, taking hold of my hand, said, 'My dear Vann, can't you do something about these newspaper reports?' Pointing to a paragraph at the bottom of one page which referred to one of the bodies found at Moffat having a whole act of bottom teeth, he said, 'Look at this! This newspaper says that this woman has a full set of teeth in the lower jaw and I know of my own knowledge that Mary Rogerson has at least four teeth missing in this jaw.'

"He then got very excited," went on Mr. Vann, "and said, 'All this publicity is ruining my practice, particularly at a time when I am negotiating for a loan.'

Mr. Vann said that at 2 o'clock they had some coffee.

Mr. Slinger: After you had had coffee approximately half-past two, I put it to you that the doctor said: "Please, I am absolutely too tired, and I cannot concentrate!"—Definitely no.

I am also going to put it to you that the doctor said: "I am sorry, I cannot go on because I am very sleepy!"—No.

I believe at 12 o'clock a certain woman telephoned to our office in connection with wanting to leave the doctor's home?—I should say it would be a telephone conversation when she spoke to them) have been recovered from Mrs. Hampshire—I remember giving them to Mrs. Hampshire. I had used this suit when doing rough work in the house.

I should draw your attention to stains like blood on the coat and trousers—I also wore the suit on

PEACE-MAKER?



The latest photo of Leopold, King of the Belgians who is alleged to be negotiating between Britain, France and Italy in an endeavour to find a formula to end the African War. King Leopold recently underwent an operation in England in order to have the scars, resulting from the tragic motor accident in Switzerland, removed.

DUNGEON LABORATORY SEEKS CLUE TO MYSTERY

FUNCTION OF OUR NERVOUS SYSTEM

London, Dec. 31. In a damp and dismal cellar near the heart of London a group of scientists from scattered parts of the world are struggling to solve a great medical mystery, the exact functions of the sympathetic nerves.

Their researches, conducted with a conglomeration of apparatus collected from the "junk heap," may reveal the root cause of many sufferings and open the door to new cures for nervous breakdowns, some forms of insanity and even paralysis.

The cellar laboratory is beneath the National Hospital in Bloomsbury, the only school of neurology in the world and which was recipient of a recent £120,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation.

The "dungeon" laboratory contains an intricate arrangement of paraphernalia used to test the sympathetic nervous system. Made from odds and ends, it includes an old music stand, a trench periscope that is a relic of the world war, broken bits of looking glass, an ancient plate camera and a series of discarded lenses.

An adjustable chair was needed for the subjects of the experiments. A second-hand shop revealed a derelict dentist's chair which was pressed into service. An adjustable couch couldn't be found so a wooden door, rigged with ingenious straps and levers, was made to suit the purpose.

Several old oil drums, a bicycle pump and a few home-made "test-your-strength" gadgets also play their part.

The doctors themselves—there are 20 from the United States and Canada—act as patients during the experiments, sitting in the dentist's chair with their feet immersed in a pan of hot water.

Tubes attached to the forefingers enable the nervous impulses to be recorded continuously on a large chart. If the patient laughs, holds his breath or works out a mathematical problem in his mind the stimuli are recorded instantly.

By means of the strange apparatus the doctors hope to establish a basis for a record of perfectly healthy nervous activity and control. This basis will be used to determine the damage to nervous control from various maladies, including nervous strain due to tumors, infections and accidents.

While a doctor "patient" is sitting with his feet in a tub of hot water a piece of ice may be applied quickly to his leg, producing nervous reactions which send the recording instruments palpitating.

These tests are expected to show ultimately how the muscles and even the glandular secretions of the body function under various nerve tensions.

With the £120,000 grant from the Rockefeller Institute the National Hospital hopes to take its research one dependent upon the raising of work out of the "dungeon" and into fine, modern laboratories. But the Rockefeller grant is a conditional another £120,000 by the hospital itself.—United Press.

Expert Judgments (2)



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MISCELLANEOUS.

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LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

Jan. 13, Jan. 14.

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuter, British Government Securities War Loan 3½% £1062 £100½ £106½

Chinese Bonds

4½% Bonds 1898 (Eng. Ins.) £102½ £102½
4½% Loan 1908 £75 £75

5% Loan 1912 £75 £75

5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Eng. Ins.) £91½ £91½

5% Gold Bonds 1925-47 £75 £75

5% Shai-Nanking Rly. £70 £70

5% Tientsin-Pukow Rly. £32 £32

5% Tientsin-Pukow Rly. (Supl.) £31 £31

5% Hornam Rly. £28 £28

5% Fukien Rly. 1911 £48 £48

5% Long Teng U. Rly. 1913 £19 £19

Foreign Bonds and Banks

German 7% Int. Loan 1924 £60 £60½

Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907 £84½ £84½

Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1924 £94½ £93½

H.K. & Shai BK. (Ldn. Regd.) £100 £100-107½

Chard. Bk. of I.A. & C. £13½ £13½

Commercial and Industrial

Allied Ironfounders 36½ 36½

Associated & Elec. Industries 44½ 44½

Austin Motors ord. sh. 44½ 44½

Boots Pure Drug. 52½ 54½

British-American Tobacco (bearer) 116½ 10½ 117½

Canadian Celanese 116½ 116½

Chinese Eng. and Min. (Beaver) 11½ 11½

Courtaulds 59½ 59½

Distillers 99½ 100½

Dunlop Rubber 41½ 41½

Electric and Musical Industries 27½ 27½

General Electric (England) 75½ 76½

Hawker Aircraft 29½ 29½

Imperial Chem. Ind. 37½ 37½

O.K. Bazaar 63½ 63½

Impl. Tobacco 153½ 155½

Rolls Royce 46½ 46½

Shai Elec. Constr. 40½ 40½

Tate & Lyle 90½ 91½

Turner & Newall 74½ 73½

United Steel 31½ 31½

Vickers ord. 30½ 4½ 20½

Woolworths 120½ 120½

Miscellaneous

Anglo-Dutch 28½ 28½

Gula Kalumpang Rubber 24½ 24½

Pekin Synd. 176 176

Burma Corp. 70½ 70½

Mining 85½ 85½

Shell Trans. and Trad. (Beaver) 85½ 87½

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Marsman Investments, Ltd. 30½ 30½

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Sparwater Op. 7½ 7½

Springa Mines 45½ 45½

Shell-Nigel 25½ 25½

Rhokana Corp. 106½ 105½

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HONGKONG AND THE AIR

RESIDENT OF MALAYA TALKS TO LOCAL ROTARIANS

SCENERY AND AIR BOMBS

In a semi-serious talk on the air development of Hongkong and Malaya, Mr. R. Sidney, editor of *Roda* and a notable figure in Malayan Rotary life, kept the Hongkong Rotary Club in chuckles of amusement and appreciation at their weekly luncheon yesterday.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, was present and the President, Professor L. Forster, welcomed his guests Sir John Nicholson (attached to Taikoo Docks), Messrs. H. Hutchins (Singapore), E. Geddes, C. W. N. McGowan, P. de Roux and A. Pittendrigh of Hongkong.

In introducing the speaker, the President said that Mr. Sidney was comfortable distance from headquarters, but he is merely living in the suburbs so to speak. I ask, then, why there is this keenness for such home domination?

Hongkong Bombed

Many suggestions, I believe, to link Hongkong with East and West have been made, but so far you are still high and dry and have no proper aerial communication. I myself was surprised to read London Letters in the local newspapers which were printed far earlier than similar letters in Malayan newspapers some time before I sailed for Hongkong. But I would ask you to consider whether the air mail, for at present, I will only deal with that side of possible development, is going to benefit you as much as you are present imagine. I must suppose, of course, that Hongkong business men are keener about their work than are business men in some other places. These other business men incl. to find that the cable services and a worldly mail from Home were as much as they could cope with if work were to go pleasantly and smoothly.

As these words were being typed over an aeroplane was flying about over the harbour; the speaker had just read the following words: "It is understood that Naval, Military and Air Force experts have drafted plans for the fortification of Hongkong in anticipation of the failure of the London Naval Conference." Those words are pregnant with meaning to all of us who saw anything of aerial warfare in the last war. As I look into the future I see Hongkong in a pitiable state as a result of intensive aerial bombardment—unless before that time we have had sufficient sense to prohibit and abolish war in the air. How can Hongkong be defended if a relentless enemy should wish to attack? I went up the fort to see what a bombable city it was and I must say it is a delightful target.

And while I am on this particular phase of the subject I wonder what precautions it is intended to take in the event of war?

Flying Beauty

I shall not dare discuss these subjects just now; but I would ask you to consider, not only the civil development of this great port and city, but the development which is bound to take place soon as Hongkong is once more fortified.

If I had intended to bring the question of aerial warfare into this talk, it was only the insistent dropping of an aeroplane over my hotel as this talk was being typed that made me consider the matter. Rotarians, presumably, wish to know about what may be called the better side of flying—that side which is concerned with the bringing together of people, and not the side which has to do with destruction.

There can be no question that this bringing together of the peoples will certainly be affected more quickly by aerial transport, when that is cheap

enough, than by any other method. Imagine the difference, for example, that it will make to residents in Malaya and Hongkong when they are within a day's flight of each other. At present I find that there is a great gulf fixed between the people who live here and those who live in the Straits. The gulf is a mental one, and that is why we who come from the Straits find Hongkong such a stimulant. One of the reasons for this mental gulf is that at present we are separated by four nights and days of sea. We shall still be separated climatically, when regular aerial communication is taking place between the two countries; but the fact that transit has been reduced to a few hours will make the difference to the mental outlook of those who can do the journey—and these travellers will gradually permeate their own communities.

Malayan Progress

I have said very little about aerial development in Malaya and the reason is that we have not yet developed our own internal air services. We are promised that for this year, and soon it should be possible to fly about Malaya at little more cost than by the present means of transport. Just now (as I have already mentioned) we are served both by Imperial Airways and by the Dutch, and those who wish to see Malaya quickly and effectively cannot do better than make the trip by air from Singapore to Penang or vice versa.

The traveller will be surprised at the variety of the scenery. He will seldom be bored. He will find parts of the journey as beautiful as I found the motor drive round the New Territory on Sunday morning last, when Nature gave us a balcony day and the sea was painted in the most vivid and refreshing colours.

If he can travel at a time when the padi fields are alive with their emerald colourings, he will note that here there is no boring expanse of country which is flat plain and unrelieved by mountain and other greenery. Malaya scenery, except when one is flying over dense jungle, is always presenting something worth seeing to the observant traveller, and I would suggest that those of you who can afford the time to make the journey should not miss seeing Malaya from the air.

Rotary Spirit

To come closer to the question of Rotary, I may say that the Canton Club is the most Rotarian Club I have been in.

It is perhaps my privilege to tell you that Sir Andrew Caldecott is the real founder of Rotary in Malaya, and long before Rotary International came to Malaya there was founded a club which brought the races together in a very remarkable way. (Applause). For that alone the clubs are doing good work, but I know the clubs very well and I know members only go when the speakers are famous—and sometimes even then they get badly bitten! (Laughter). But as to doing Rotary work, they are not permitted to do any. It is not their fault, but the fault of the vicious system whereby one or two do the work while the rest look on.

Three years ago in the Automobile Association Club, Sir Cecil Roberts was telling me about the effect of the dropping of one large bomb on a certain street in London. Under this street ran a sewer the opening-up of

which would have dealt death and destruction to thousands, and polluted a very large area. The effect of many bombs dropped on many sewers would make London uninhabitable.

If this expansion of the R.A.F. which we read about is ever going to be used what a terrible state the world would be in!

CORRESPONDENCE

Passport Visas

(To The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph)

Sir.—In view of the rumours that the Italian Consulates in different parts of the world were instructed by their respective Government that any person of any nationality who is looking or taking the mercantile ship under the Italian flag, is entitled this morning.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for the defendant.

Detective-Sub-Inspector R. Cunningham, in outlining the case, stated that about 12.30 p.m. yesterday defendant went to the Yaumatei Police Station and reported that she had been robbed and violently treated on the staircase of No. 163 Woosung Street. The case was handed over to Sub-Inspector Cunningham and he took a statement from the woman, who said she had been robbed and \$20 had been taken from her pocket.

As a British subject, I wish some one would draw the attention of the Secretary to the Dominions to a few of our passport fees which are not only too expensive, but the loss of the British shipping interests on account of the competition.

Hoping that the British Government will take more consideration with the matter as stated above, and thanking for publishing this.

P. SHU.

PENANG FATALITY

SINGAPORE FLIER'S TRAGIC DEATH

Singapore, Jan. 14.—A local resident, Mr. R. C. Stiven, has been reported drowned near Penang yesterday. His plane, in which he was on a pleasure flight, is missing and later it was discovered that it had sunk in ten fathoms of water. Royal Air Force planes and Police searched the vicinity.—*Reuters' Bulletin*.

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What Is Politics

Rotarians are not supposed to discuss politics at their meetings. Rotary proclaims that it is not in any sense a political organization. Personally, I have always failed to understand how a great international organization which is attempting to improve man's lot on this earth can fail to be dealing in politics all the time. It may depend, of course, on what we mean by the word "politics". At any rate I feel that in this question of the future aerial development of the world Rotary should play an important part.

If every Rotarian pledged himself to have nothing to do with aerial warfare, and if he set himself

to try and persuade others against aerial warfare, there would be a large body of public-spirited men all over the world who were agreed on a subject which is going to be of the greatest importance to humanity in the future. (Applause).

In Rotarian M. P. Key, called upon to

think the speaker, said he could confirm the high pressure of activity among Singapore business men from his recent experience there. They did

not have the time to read newspapers in office hours as he had often seen during his peregrinations among the streets of Naha. Local forecast:—N.E.

The meeting was then adjourned.

FALSE REPORT ALLEGED

POLICE PROSECUTE WOMAN

Accused of having falsely informed the police that she had been robbed of \$20 yesterday, Wong Kwan, 32, married woman, was remanded when she appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

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From the woman's general description of the alleged incident he (the Inspector) became suspicious. He went with defendant to No. 163 Woosung Street, where the woman lived, to get a cent which she was alleged to have been wearing at the time of the robbery. Whilst

Sub-Inspector Cunningham saw that defendant was holding something, but she refused to show what it was when asked. It was taken from her and it was found that she had some money under a packet of cigarettes.

The woman was a friend of the landlord of house No. 163 and she had gone to collect rent on his behalf. Actually the rent was \$10 but the woman had been given \$20 and she had given \$1 change.

Defendant's husband, who appeared in Court, stated that he was an outdoor filter employed by the Kowloon Gunworks.

Bail in the sum of \$50 was granted, in cash or an approved security.

BANK SHARES ADVANCE

DIVIDEND AFFECTS MARKET

Reporting on to-day's share market, the Hongkong Stock Exchange states:

On the declaration of a final dividend of £3.00 per share on Bank shares, these had a substantial rise, and came to business at \$1,000.

The market generally was firm with buyers predominating. Gements were in good demand and changed hands at \$8.80. Telephones (Old) were wanted at \$20.20.

FAIR WEATHER

The anticyclone remains stationary over China, and tends to increase in intensity. Pressure remains highest to the north-west of Shantung. The depression has passed into the Pacific to the east of Hokkaido, and another depression is indicated to the south-east of Naha. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; fair.

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WORLD POLICE FORCE

Announcement of the measures which the British and French General Staffs have agreed upon to meet the possible contingency of an Italian naval attack invests with more than usual interest the question of the creation of an international police force for the purpose of preserving world order. The idea is, in reality, an extension of the provision made in the League of Nations Covenant envisaging the formation of a composite naval, military and air force by members States for use when the League's ideals are threatened by aggressive action on the part of any nation. It is in line, too, with the French suggestion of an International Air Force under the control of the League. The issue was recently raised in the House of Commons, when a motion was brought forward urging that serious consideration should be given to the desirability of replacing national forces by international defence units. Support for the plan was stated to have been voiced by the British Legion and by the National Council of Evangelical Churches. In a small way, the plan was tried last year in the case of the Saar election, when a composite force was sent to the region to maintain order. We see the same principle at work in the Anglo-French agreement to join hands should Italy create trouble in the Mediterranean. The main advantage of creating an international force beforehand, instead of hastily improvising one in an emergency, is that it would be instantly available when required. The trouble that was experienced in getting France and Britain in agreement recently illustrates the danger of waiting for a crisis to arise. As to the attitude of the British Government on the subject, it was stated in the recent Commons debate that, in the present state of the world, the plan would be impossible, a spokesman remarking that anybody who suggested to the Italian or German Governments, for example, that they should abandon their defence forces, and trust in an international

DEFENCE of ART.

by J. L.

I do not wish to enter into the controversy concerning Art, but I think a little clarity should be shed on one or two works of art that have been discussed recently.

Epstein the sculptor, as most pioneers, has been much maligned. I feel one should proceed in a simple and elementary manner to support his work and not cloud the subject with the much mouthed phrases of the poser. I want to try to show that Epstein is not cheap, nor an aesthetic poser, nor cares for the very temporary notoriety that comes from new and startling bizarries and their cults suddenly launched on the solid artistic world.

In considering Epstein's work we can refer amongst other Galleries to the National Tate Gallery. Epstein's heads and busts are eagerly sought for by this body.

NOTES OF THE DAY**FRANCE ON GUARD**

Narrow-minded people may deplore the necessity, but people of any vision will admit the utility of the newly-conceived Franco-British defence plan by which the French Republic agrees to assist His Majesty's Government in resisting any possible attack upon the British fleet in the Mediterranean, and to stand guard against any air attack. The agreement is merely that France will put her air force signals at the disposal of the British Air Ministry, mobilise a number of troops, and provide Britain with naval bases, dry docks and such facilities. It does not entail any actual armed collaboration on the face of it.

But, in effect, it is a defensive alliance. The mere fact that French air scouts are to give warning of an impending attack constitutes a hostile act, in the view of the attacker. It puts France in the position of being unable to plead neutrality, whether she wished to or not. It puts her definitely at Britain's side; or rather, beyond Britain's front door, watching British interests and ready to give aid and warning the moment they are threatened. Mr. Stanley Baldwin, some months ago, uttered an axiomatic truth when he said that Britain's frontiers had been removed to the Rhine. At that time there was no apparent danger of complications with Italy, or he might have said that the frontier stretched from the Mediterranean to the North Sea and could roughly be defined by the easterly borders of France. British statesmen are to be congratulated for taking the obvious precautions and doing the simple thing to ensure the country's safety. They have kept the French friendship; and Frenchmen stand guard for them.

police force, would be regarded either as an amiable lunatic or as a sinister person with some ulterior motive. Alternatively, the creation of an international force in an armed world presents difficulties in the matter of assuring that its size would be superior to any other force that might be brought against it. The question is admittedly beset with obstacles, but something might at any rate be done in the direction of the principal Powers entering into an agreement to contribute certain percentages to a force for use against any nation which has been adjudged to have violated international law.

The recent head of Einstein executed by Epstein is particularly admired. None of the features of the man Einstein needed emphasis or embellishment and the head generally is a splendid example of scrupulous accuracy in modelling.

The appreciation of the Governors of the National Tate Gallery is shown by the practical fact that they exhibit and buy Epstein's work whenever they are available. This body, not to mention many other public bodies, who spend large sums of public money for the artistic education of the Nation and for the benefit of posterity, are those men who have the surest and best knowledge of merit in sculpture and painting. They consist in part of Academicians and men of Letters, and have at their disposal the advice of many other eminent men when selecting and buying for the Nation. So we must admit that the high authorities on Art in Sculpture acknowledge the merit of Epstein's work.

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EPSTEIN'S work appears to majority that Epstein is a master come under two classes, ter of proportion. Many sub-firstly the commissioned Heads jets have been modelled by him and Busts and second those that without apparently a close examination "conceived" in the broader ination of the model in better sense and not "copied" from the proportion, in less time, and model, including works that are giving the most true and vivid impression of which few others in the world are capable. So, putting the one and the other together and acknowledging, as we should, that Epstein does not seek publicity either in his private or professional life, we come reasonably to admit that there must be some merit in his art.

The latter two works will serve for the more elementary explanation. All must admit that standards of beauty and actual physical dimensions alter from age to age.

Take the much desired svelt and slim female form of to-day and compare it with Venus de Milo. Would the dimensions of Venus de Milo win the first place in a beauty competition of to-day, or even her facial appearance? Or would such a thing as the Sphinx irrespective of its size be considered as a thing of beauty.

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SIMILARLY as to many monu-

ments in London and the capitals of Europe not to mention one or two statues we have here in Hongkong. Undoubtedly standards of beauty do alter most radically and one must admit also that the bigger and broader conception of any subject is the nobler; otherwise artists would be armed with a point about the piece is actually the result of understanding with the former, but it is deplorable to class the former with the latter. One is asked "why then do such pieces as "Genesis" and "Night" appear to us so "crude".

Then in a work of art that we live when we all die, for posterity as well as the education of the present age the bigger conception in art must not be confined to one temporary standard of beauty.

Deviating for a moment and mentioning the first model of the Halig statue, against which there was such an outcry by the general public. The Sam Brown was on the wrong side, there was a button missing here and a button in the wrong place there, and the horse did not look like the actual horse that Halig rode, it looked more like a heavy-well-war horse, so did Halig himself for that matter. So the public damned it. But would posterity, and this statue was surely intended for posterity, care about the buttons or the belt. I think it would only be concerned Cezanne, an almost perfect and back-to-nature outlook, with the conception of a war draftsman in his student days.

EINSTEIN—BY EPSTEIN
His features needed no emphasis.

man, a soldier to hold in admiration set out to cure this chronic affection in painters. He painted an apple so that it became more interesting, attractive and luscious, he was capable of making a cabbage a thing of beauty.

In short, by his conception, the subjects, usually very simple, were ennobled. And here we come to an important question in Art. Namely, is the composition, sculpture, painting etc. nobler in its conception and enabled by its execution.

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RUSKIN, a little extravagantly according to some, points out that the mud under our feet in an industrial town, void of animal life must be some merit in his art, and left to sort itself into its various elements as is inevitable, would, without hindrance and with the assistance of Nature, eventually resolve into Diamond (soot-carbon), Sapphire (clay-porcelain), Opal (earth-sand-stratified Quartz), star shaped crystal (water-ice-snow). Another remarkable conception.

Then again to "Genesis" and "Night", remembering our conclusions regarding temporary and petty standards of beauty, the competence of the artists, and approaching these two particular works with a sympathetic attitude.

In "Genesis" we see a woman about to become a mother. She represents in abstract, womanhood thousands of years ago, to-day, and thousands of years to come.

Large and capable hands given by her God for the express purpose of fending for herself and her offspring. A body, as nobly conceived well-executed students of anatomy will admit, works by competent Craftsmen and the indifferent and bizarre for the bearing of offspring. Note the hips, thighs, breasts explain that they "saw it so", and the drawn face. Every is quite distinct. Unfortunately point about the piece is actually the latter are too often lumped with the former, but it is deplorable to class the former with the latter. One is asked "why then do such pieces as "Genesis" and "Night" appear to us so "crude".

We so often hear that this or that artistic effort is ugly or crude, grotesque and really terrible, whereas the speaker should be saying, "I don't understand it and until someone explains it to me I cannot pass an opinion."

The dividing line between the result of understanding with the former, but it is deplorable to class the former with the latter. One is asked "why then do such pieces as "Genesis" and "Night" appear to us so "crude". Possibly we use the word "crude" with indiscretion and subconsciously intend it to debase a little. These pieces are crude. Nature itself is as crude as can be; in the beginning the world was crude. Nevertheless the pieces can still be noble, which is what matters. And then "why does Epstein not explain his conceptions?" we are asked. Because we do not approach the subject with sympathy and eagerness to learn and are prone to view with suspicion anything we have yet to understand and possibly also because Epstein is a Sculptor and not a lecturer. He and others are much maligned because their work does not pander to the footling inconsequent prettiness of our ears and noses are so placed that we may attach our spectacles to them. The give the masses what THEY want. The message I think he conveys through his sculptures is that of medium-sculpture—is that of

CEZANNE, also is another much maligned craftsman whose work is admired by the final authority we possess in painting. Many of us do not know what we see, our sight is atrophied. We cannot see colour, we do not see our visual interests with eyes sympathetic to colour. It is fortunate that our ears and noses are so placed that we may attach our spectacles to them. The give the masses what THEY want. The message I think he conveys through his sculptures is that of

FORESHORE RIGHTS PROBLEM

NEW LEGISLATION FOR HONGKONG

FEATURES OF ORDINANCE

Amongst the Bills to come before the Legislative Council at its meeting to-morrow is one dealing with foreshore rights.

The Bill is entitled an Ordinance to validate certain undertakings which have been constructed or commenced over and upon unleased Crown foreshore and sea bed; and to enact certain general provisions which shall be deemed incorporated, unless expressly varied or excepted, in future Ordinances authorising reclamation or other works of a public nature over and upon such foreshore and sea bed.

It is stated, *inter alia*, in the Objects and Reasons that it is a recognised principle of English law that owners of land may be required by the Legislature to surrender some or all of the rights they possess in or over their land for purposes of public utility. It is an equally recognised principle that (save in certain exceptional cases of emergency with which we are not now concerned) it is unjust to require that surrender without making provision for due compensation to those whose private rights are affected. When the land itself has to be surrendered it is said to be compulsorily taken or purchased; but if some only of the rights in or over the land are required to be given up the land is commonly said to be injuriously affected.

In England the necessary authority to take or injuriously affect land is obtained from Parliament, either directly by an Act passed for the purpose, or indirectly under Acts containing general powers which may be exercised for particular purposes and upon certain conditions. The former class of Act usually specifies the land which may be taken and limits the time within which the acquisition must take place. The latter class contains no such limitations but in many cases some form of order is required before the powers can be put into force.

PAST LEGISLATION

In this Colony both the direct and the indirect have been adopted in the past. Examples of such local Legislation are the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889; The Praya East Reclamation Ordinance, 1921; the Harbour of Refuge Ordinance, 1909; the Foreshores and Sea Bed Ordinances of 1901 and 1932; and the Crown Lands Resumption Ordinance, 1900. Under some of these Ordinances, subject to the payment of compensation, private land can be taken for public purposes. Under others while the land itself is not taken provision is made for compensation where it has been injuriously affected by the loss of access to the sea, where leases of foreshore and sea bed are granted.

But it seems that, unless the land itself is required or unless a Crown Lease of property is to be granted, our Legislature has not so far provided for the cases where private land is not required but may nevertheless be injuriously affected by a reclamation or other improvement which is to be retained for public use as a roadway, pier approach or other work which the Government undertakes in the interests of the Colony generally.

The works set out in the Schedule to this Bill belong to this category. They have been undertaken over and upon unleased Crown foreshore and sea bed without complaint but at the same time without legislative authority, other than that which is contained in the Annual Appropriation Ordinances which have justified expenditure on the undertakings but have contained no provision for the extinction of rights or for compensation where compensation is due.

PLAN ABANDONED

The possibility of enacting a Bill which while validating past work would give the Government general power to undertake similar works in the future has been carefully explored and been found open to serious objection. It has therefore been abandoned.

The objects of this Bill are different. They are first to validate the extinction of any public or private rights which might be considered to subsist in the works enumerated in the Schedule, which, as has been stated, have been undertaken without complaint; and, secondly, to make provision for a scheme of notice and compensation which is to be applied in the case of future Ordinances authorising undertakings of this nature.

Clause 9 makes it clear that the authorising Ordinance will not create new rights; and that to obtain compensation under the clauses of this Ordinance claimants must prove that enforceable rights existed independently of either Ordinance.

The Bill in its present form (except that the items in the Schedule relating to the Refuse-boat Pier and Livestock Landing at Ma Tau Kok Road and to the Refuse-boat Pier at Kwai Tsing Street now listed as completed were then listed as in progress) was submitted to the Secretary of State, who has approved of proceeding with its enactment.

Fifteen cases of Diphtheria with seven deaths, four cases of Scarlet fever, seven cases of Typhoid with one death (one imported), one case of Meningitis with one death and 57 deaths from Tuberculosis were reported to the local Health authorities last week. On Monday four cases of Diphtheria were also reported.

BRITISH TRADE GAINING

HIGHEST FIGURES FOR FIVE YEARS

EFFECT OF SANCTIONS ON ITALIAN MARKET

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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London, Jan. 14.

The revival of prosperity in British trade in 1935 is to-day indicated in official returns, which show that imports at £757,000,000 registered an increase of £25,000,000 over 1934, and £82,000,000 over 1933. Exports, at £426,000,000 were £30,000,000 over the 1934 total and £58,000,000 above that of 1933.

Re-exports also were on the upward trend, it was shown, increasing £4,000,000 to a total of £55,000,000.

Imports were the highest since 1931 and exports were highest since 1930.

It is noteworthy that the effect of the introduction of certain sanctions against Italy, which came into force last November, was revealed in the returns. For instance, December exports of British coal to Italy amounted to only £14,000, compared to £349,000 for December, 1934.

Corresponding figures in respect of iron and steel and manufactures generally were £2,000,000 against £13,000, chemicals were only £181,000 against £12,220, while raw rubber did not appear on the export list at all this December and had previously totalled 294,000 in value.

Substantial decreases were also shown in the value of many Italian products into Britain for December, notably dairy products, which were £94 only, compared to £28,892 for December, 1934. Textile materials and other manufactures totalled only 4,000,000 as compared with £116,318.

On the other hand, tinned goods and other foods showed an increase, probably due to merchants rushing in stocks before the sanctions edict was applied.—*Reuter Special*.

FURTHER RETURNS

London, Jan. 14. Board of Trade returns of overseas for December and for the year 1935 show exports last year were higher

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

WERE HE NEVER SO BENIGHTED, FORGETFUL OF HIS HIGH CALLING, THERE IS ALWAYS HOPE IN A MAN WHO ACTUALLY AND EARNESTLY WORKS, IN IDLENESS ALONE IS THERE PERPETUAL DESPAIR.—Carlyle.

An application was made by the Police before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning, for the confiscation of 180 carties of sugar found unmanifested and unclaimed on board the steamer Seistan, lying at the Douglas Wharf, on January 8. The application was granted.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: S/Sgt. Dennis Sidney John, R.A.S.C., and Miss Amy Dorothy Ruby Faro, residing at 21 Hankow Road; Mr. Joao Jacques Floriano Alvares, managing partner, Central Radio Service, and Miss Patricia Mercedes Remedios, of 13 Knutsford Terrace, Kowloon.

The 1st Battalion of the Lancashire Fusiliers is due to-day on the transport port, Dorsetshire. The Fusiliers, who were stationed last at Colchester, are going to Shanghai to relieve the 1st Battalion Inniskilling Fusiliers and the Dorsetshire will also pick up here some details for Shanghai and Tientsin. The Commanding Officer of the Lancashire Fusiliers is Lt.-Col. L.H.K. Finch, D.S.O., O.B.E.

On admitting the possession of 6,575 heroin pills at No. 58 Woosung Street, first floor, on January 7, Au Shun, 60, unemployed, was fined \$2,000, with the alternative of nine months' hard labour, by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Revenue-Officer O'Neill stated that defendant was a retailer of the drug. The pills were found wrapped in packets for sale.

A fine of \$10, or two weeks' hard labour in default, was imposed on Li Wing, aged 30, unemployed, when he pleaded guilty to a charge of theft of 17 cabbages from the Canton Wharf, by Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning. Sub-Inspector J. Walsh stated that defendant was arrested early this morning by a detective, and admitted stealing the cabbage, which was valued at \$2.

Kwok King-wan, aged 34, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning charged with having obtained credit by fraud, namely the sum of \$2,00, the price of a motor car, at the Tung Restaurant, No. 224, Des Voeux Road Central. Sub-Inspector J. Walsh said defendant was in the restaurant from 5 p.m. till 9 p.m. during which time he ordered wine and cigarettes. "Defendant just said he had no work and must get filled," added the prosecuting officer. Defendant was remanded for one week for medical examination, as the opinion was expressed that he was a little inane.

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RUSSIA'S BUDGET PROPOSALS

LARGEST ITEM FOR RED ARMY

DEVALUATION DENIED

Moscow, Jan. 14.

The Government's proposal to almost double military expenditure in 1936, compared with 1935, was introduced by Mr. Grigori Grinko, Finance Commissar, when presenting the Budget proposals at a session of the Central Executive Committee.

Out of a total budget of 87,500,000 rubles no less than 14,800,000 rubles will be devoted to military expenditure. The amount of appropriations will be applied to an increase in the number of effective, the improvement of technical equipment, the modernising of barracks, and the political education of the Red Army.

M. Grinko explained that the Government's financial policy was directed to the strengthening and stabilising of the ruble. He denied rumours in circulation abroad regarding proposed devaluation or the issuing of new currency.—*Reuter*.

FORGED NOTE CASE FAILS

UNLAWFUL BOARDING CONVICTION

Appearing on remand before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with the possession of a forged \$50 note of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, denied that he had forged one and the average person would be deceived by it. The note was a good one. The blue tinge was too dark, and the picture on the front was too heavily printed. There was no such number (No. U over 12,02743) in circulation.

Detective-Sub-Inspector L. Whant appeared for the prosecution. Mr. J. M. Price, clerk of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, deposed that he had examined the \$50 note produced in Court. It was a forgery; it was a good one and the average person would be deceived by it. The note was a good one. The blue tinge was too dark, and the picture on the front was too heavily printed. There was no such number (No. U over 12,02743) in circulation.

Firdaus Khan, head watchman, stated he heard defendant asking the assistant purser of the President Cleveland to change money, so he offered to change the money for him. Defendant then said that he would go and get the money, but witness refused to let him go, and said that he wanted to search him. Defendant quailed witness's authority to do so, and witness showed the man his badge.

Defendant took off his coat, but witness found nothing in his pockets. But whilst searching him further, he found a \$50 banknote on the ground between defendant's feet. When questioned, defendant disclaimed ownership of the note.

At this stage his Worship stated that he could not say that defendant was guilty beyond doubt, and discharged him on the charge of possession.

Further evidence was given by Captain William H. Thomas, Port Captain of the Dollar Steamship Line.

Captain R. D. Walker, M.C., A.N.C.S., will deliver a lecture on "Some Aspects of Railway Engineering" to the University Engineering Society on Friday, January 17, at 8.30 p.m. in Room "K" of the University. All interested are welcome.

Injuries received as the result of a fall in Yu Chow Street, have caused a woman, Yeung Choi, aged 70, to be removed to the Kowloon Hospital.

Owing to indisposition, Dr. Harrington, Medical Officer of Schools, is unable to lecture to the Hongkong Teachers' Association to-morrow (Thursday).

Tam Hung, 32, jumped into the harbour from Victoria Road yesterday, but was rescued and sent to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from the effects of immersion.

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Among the passengers arriving in Hongkong next Friday by the C.P.S. liner Empress of Canada will be Mr. Allan Cameron, former Oriental Manager of the C.P.R. Co. in Hongkong. Mrs. Cameron is accompanying her husband and it is expected that they will remain in the Colony for about a month.

Hung Kun-ming, 25, shop cooler, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for stealing two pairs of hair clippers from No. 72 Sai Kung Road on Monday. Inspector Chester-Wood stated that about 7.30 p.m. on Monday complainant, Pun Ki, barber, who was friend of the defendant, asked the man to look after his shop while he went across the road. When he returned he found the defendant had gone and the clippers were missing. Defendant was subsequently arrested and it was found that the clippers had been pawned.

Twelve weeks' hard labour was imposed by the Magistrate.

"LADY PRECIOUS STREAM"

TO BE REPEATED NEXT WEEK

WEAR A BLACKSHIRT LITTLE BLACKFACE

Those who were unable to attend the presentation of "Lady Precious Stream" by members of the Hongkong University Arts Association on Saturday, and others as well, will be glad to learn that, by special request, a repeat performance is to be given next week.

The extra performance will take place in the Great Hall of the University on Wednesday, January 22, at 8.45 p.m. Booking will open at the Kiang Theatre on Friday, January 17. Tickets 50c, \$2 and \$3.

The first performance was a big success, and the public is fortunate in being given a further opportunity of seeing this play, which has achieved a tremendous success. In London.

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7.45-8 p.m. Song Memories.

Drinks all Round; Harry Lauderdale.

Vocal Gems.

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report.

8.03-8.30 p.m. Ensemble Singing.

Waitin' at the Gate for Katy (Bottoms Up); Layton and Johnstone; Now that I've found you (That's a Good Girl); ... Jack Buchanan and Elsie Randolph; Scenes from "My Old Dutch"; Betty Balfour and Michael Hogan; Moonlight Meanderings; ... The Carlyle Cousins; Don't be afraid to tell your mother ... The Mills Brothers; I'm on a See-Saw ("Jill Darling"); Nonny, Nonny No ("Jill Darling"); John Mills.

8.30-8.47 p.m. Tidworth Tattoo.

8.47-9 p.m. Octets.

Hearts and Flowers (Arr. Willoughby); The Wedding of the Rose (Arr. Willoughby); Cradle Song (Arr. Hartley); Serenade (Schubert).

9-9.15 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.

9.15-10 p.m. From the Studio.

A Three Piano Jazz Recital by Bill Cameron, Lindsay Lafford and George Bond.

Programme

1. It's June in January; 2. Eleven Thirty Saturday Night; 3. Gather Lip Rouge; 4. Tell me to-night; 5. The Girl in the Little Green Hat; 6. In Pictures; 7. All do it in dream of you; 8. Flower Let; 9. Italy; 10. Outside of you; 11. Who would; 12. Marigold; 13. About a girl started to me; 14. Ragamuffin; 15. Selected; 16. Broadway Melody; 17. Let me call you sweetheart; 18. She wore a little badge of blue.

10 p.m. Big Ben.

10.10.5 p.m. Film Hits of the Moment.

10.25-11 p.m. Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close Down.

ATLANTIC LINER HERE

STUTTGART'S TRIP TO FAR

ALL SET FOR BIG RUGBY MATCH TO-MORROW

BADMINTON
V.R.C.
WIN AGAIN

THE FIRE BRIGADE WALLOPED

Fire Brigade were no match for Recreio "A" when the teams met in a men's doubles badminton league match at Police Headquarters last night, and were beaten by eight games to one.

E. L. H. Shute and W. Stoker won the Brigade's only game beating E. da Souza and J. Ribeiro, Jr. They also forced H. A. Alves and M. Oliveira to a "netted" game and lost to Carvalho and A. M. Silva by a mere three aces.

Victoria Recreation Club scored their second win of the week when they overcame Sailors and Soldiers Home by seven to two.

Detailed scores.

FIRE BRIGADE v. RECREIO "A"

E. L. H. Shute and W. Stoker (Fire Brigade) lost to L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva 18-21; lost to H. A. Alves and M. A. Oliveira 21-24; beat E. da Souza and J. Ribeiro, Jr. 21-14.

J. L. Anderson and W. Greenwood (Fire Brigade) lost to Carvalho and Silva 3-21; lost to Alves and Oliveira 5-21; lost to Souza and Ribeiro 14-21.

A. L. Fisher and G. Williams (Fire Brigade) lost to Carvalho and Silva 8-21; lost to Alves and Oliveira 8-21; lost to Souza and Ribeiro 8-21.

V.R.C. v. S. & S. HOME

M. M. de Soares and D. Lopes (V.R.C.) beat R. K. Collings and J. Winfield 23-21; beat A. T. Edwards and J. Heath 21-15; beat Harris and A. R. Brown 21-14.

C. N. da Silva and S. A. Kunjabi (V.R.C.) beat Collings and Winfield 21-10; beat Edwards and Heath 21-15; beat Harris and Brown 21-7.

F. M. L. Soares and W. Fisher (V.R.C.) lost to Collings and Winfield 6-21; beat Edwards and Heath 21-15; lost to Harris and Brown 10-2.

LEAGUE TABLE

	Games	P. W. L.	F. A.	Pts.
St. Andrew's "A"	6	6	0	46
Recreio "B"	7	6	1	45
Recreio "A"	6	6	0	45
C.R.C.	6	6	2	37
Fire Brigade	7	4	3	28
St. John's	9	5	5	31
Elliot Hall "A"	3	3	0	24
V.R.C.	9	3	0	30
St. Andrew's "B"	6	2	4	21
Takao R.C.	7	4	1	19
Elliot Hall "B"	1	1	0	7
S. and S. Home	7	0	7	19
Kowloon Tong	8	0	8	25
	6	2	2	56

PROGRAMME FOR OUR VISITORS

TEAM TO MEET COLONY SIDE ANNOUNCED

TO BE ENTERTAINED TO TIFFIN

Officials of the Hongkong Football Club and members of the Australian and New Zealand Association will be at the Kowloon wharves in force to-morrow morning to welcome the visiting New Zealand Universities Rugby Union team, who are enroute to Japan.

The New Zealanders will arrive by the N.Y.K. liner Kitano Maru, scheduled to berth at noon. The future "All Blacks" will spend the morning sightseeing. At 12.45 p.m. to-morrow the visitors will be entertained to a steak and kidney pudding dinner at the Cafe Wineman.

A match against a representative Hongkong XV will commence at the Club ground at 4.30 p.m., and the team will depart for Japan at 11 a.m. on Friday. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, will be present at the game.

At 8 p.m. to-morrow the visitors will be entertained to a steak and kidney pudding dinner at the Cafe Wineman.

By a curious coincidence, it will be exactly two years to-morrow since a team from the Australian Universities arrived in Hongkong on a similar tour. Hongkong on that occasion was victorious by 11 points to 5.

The New Zealand team arriving to-morrow is vastly superior to the Australians, however, and a real ding-dong battle is expected at the Club grounds. The students from the islands across the Tasman Sea are of stiffer build than their Australian contemporaries, and New Zealanders are proverbial for the seriousness with which they take Rugby.

THE TEAMS

The New Zealand team, according to a wireless received yesterday from Kitano Maru will be as follows:

B. Y. A. Jones;
H. H. Fooker
J. M. Watt
C. C. Gillies;
G. A. Parsons
J. J. McAlisfe;
W. R. Laney
R. B. Burke
R. J. Thomas
L. S. Drake
D. A. Hudson
O. W. Chapman
B. H. Chesterman
T. O. Stace.

HONGKONG XV

Hongkong's selected XV for the match is:

L. G. Robertson (Club);
H. R. McGlachlin (Club);
I. H. L. G. Fraser, R.M. (Navy);
J. Hutchison (Club);
Lt. A. S. Clair Ford (Navy);
H. R. B. Butcher (Club);
J. L. Bonnar (Club);
Marine Light (Navy);
S. Chambers (Club);
M. S. Cummings (Club);
Pay Lt. Comdr. A. Sowman (Navy);
Dr. J. H. McElroy (Club);
E. B. Gammell (Club);
A. F. Walkden (Club);
A. B. Evans (Navy).

£110,000 WORTH OF FOOTBALLERS IN A MATCH

Villa and Arsenal

Twenty-two players whose transfer value to their clubs is not less than £110,000 were watched by spectators of the League match between Aston Villa and the Arsenal at Villa Park, Birmingham last month.

In the teams were 14 international players—eight playing for the Arsenal and six for Aston Villa, whose ground held more than 70,000 spectators.

The record crowd for a League match on this ground—66,000 was expected to be broken, so great was the interest in the game. Aston Villa were fighting desperately to get away from the last position of the League table, and Arsenal (the champions) were making every effort to win in their attempt to overhaul Sunderland, the present League leaders.

Musso, the Scottish international half-back, was making his first appearance before an Aston Villa crowd. He is one of five players signed by the Villa in a month at fees amounting to more than £24,000.

Despite the huge potential value of the players, neither club is insured against the loss of the services of any of the men through accident.

The Arsenal were fielding six more international players in their reserve team against Bournemouth Reserves, (Tunisie); Moss and Hulme (England); John (Wales); Hill and James (Scotland), and Dunne (Ireland).

NOT COMPETING

Italy And The Davis Cup

Rome, Jan. 14.—The Italian Lawn Tennis Association has decided not to participate in the Davis Cup Competition this year and it has also requested clubs to abstain from inviting players from sanctionist countries to participate in their tournaments.—Reuters.

East London, Jan. 14.—The Australians won an innings and 14 runs, against the Border eleven.

In their final innings the local side demolished for 123, O'Reilly taking five wickets for 82.—Reuters.

BRITISH BOXING STOCK ROCKETED IN U.S.

MCAVOY IS ENGLAND'S "BEST EVER"

"VERTICAL CHAMPION" WINS AMERICAN ADMIRATION

FIGHT OFFERS NOW POURING IN

Jock McAvoy's "slaughter" of Babe Risko has set Britain's boxing banner floating proudly in America. Madison-square Garden promoter Jimmy Johnston said to-day: "Jock is the greatest fighter ever to come out of your country. We don't know what he may not do. He should beat John Henry Lewis, and so win the light-heavy-weight championship of the world."

"Maybe he will fight Risko again for his title of middle-weight champion, and later become the contender for the world's heavy-weight title."

Johnston and McAvoy's manager, Dave Lumianski, are now discussing plans for a return match against Risko, who, speaking of last night's defeat, said: "I was icecold when he caught me, and didn't have enough to get by that one. It was a tough blow."

Lumianski will not allow McAvoy to fight Risko again at weight over the 1st. 16lb. required for the middle-weight championship.

Risko's camp is complaining to-day that McAvoy scaled 1st. 16lb. last night, when the agreement was that he should enter the ring at 1st. 11lb.

It is the only alibi they can find for their favourite's defeat.

Offers for fights are pouring into Lumianski's office. A Chicago promoter rang him up. Lumianski replied: "So far Jock has been fighting to establish his reputation. Now he wants 'cold cash'."

By "cold cash" Lumianski means a fight which will net Jock at least \$1,000. If a return bout with Risko comes off, it will be held in the second or third week of January.

McAvoy is in super-splendid trim

that he is ready to enter the ring again at any time. Arrangements are under way for the Lewis fight. This will probably be at the end of next month.

One of Lewis's friends rang him up by long-distance phone and described McAvoy's exploits to the coloured light-heavy-weight champion of the world.

McAvoy is taking his honours very modestly.

"I just followed instructions. Dave and I went to Philadelphia when Risko fought Battaglia and studied Babe's style."

"We saw he had a pretty neat left, and we also knew his scouts had been watching me fight McCoy."

"We know Risko would be watching for the left I used to successfully against McCoy." So we decided that with the bell I was to let fly with my right at Risko's jaw with all the power I had."

Snow, followed by severe frost, had a devastating effect on the attendance. In the words of one spectator, "it almost looks as though this is a private fight."

Mrs. McAvoy listened to the fight over the radio. Then she hopped into a taxi and rushed down to the Garden—this time not forgetting to pay the driver. She said to-day: "Jock is wonderful."

Then he chipped in to add: "I owe a great deal to my wife. She looks after me in a thousand ways. I could not do without her."

The victory was celebrated by the young couple paying their first visit to a New York night club. They found the experience thrilling.

Brooks Not A New Discovery

"VERITAS" STANDS CORRECTED

Apparatus of my little note concerning Brooks the Police inside left published on Monday in which I said the Police were delighted with their discovery of Brooks as an inside forward, I have received the following pleasant memo from Mr. Brittian, erstwhile Police footballer.

"Dear Veritas—My compliments, and may I point out that Brooks is not a 'discovery' as a forward. He played at inside left in the 1933-34 season with Green on the left wing."

Mr. Brittian is quite right and I am indebted to him for pointing this out. I was writing without reference to the 'book of words' at the time.

For the sake of accuracy I may add that Brooks played several times at inside right as well as inside left during the 1933-34 season. Records indicate that he definitely appeared in matches on the following dates:

October 7, October 14, November 4, November 18, November 25, December 16, December 23, January 6, March 24, March 31, April 7, and April 27, and that he certainly did not play on September 30, October 28 and March 10.

But I think it is a fact that he failed to score during that season and that his first goals for the Police were registered last week.

FRIENDLY HOCKEY

Club Team Against Y.M.C.A.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club against the Y.M.C.A. on the Club Ground, King's Park, at 5 p.m. to-day:

H. F. Shields; J. Rodger and J. E. Potter (Capt.); G. Sommer; J. G. Cotesworth and J. L. Tetley; W. A. Reed, R. A. Bates, S. A. Fowler, D. Carey and K. C. Woodhouse.

FORGOTTEN SIDE OF COUNTY RUGBY

Games That Find Men For England

(By J. P. Jordan)

It is the fashion among certain London Rugby followers and players to decry the county championship competition so far as it concerns the metropolitan counties.

They talk scornfully about what they term the League of Nations constitution of some county teams which include Scotsmen, Irishmen and other non-natives who are good enough.

Yet the championship not only survives but flourishes, thanks to the zealous officials in charge.

DISCOVERING STARS

Some of the matches produce a few trial matches are concerned; there are many more, the most recent instances being those of the Surrey trio, E. Hamilton-Hill, C. W. Suter and S. R. Couchman.

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RECENT FINDS

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TO BEAT THE BOOK

(By "Robin")

HOME:

Brentford
Portsmouth
Sunderland
Bradford
Charlton
Leicester
Tottenham
West Ham
Luton
Notts C.
Hamilton
Rangers

AWAY:

Arsenal
Reading
Celtic

TO DRAW:

Bury
Bury
St. Johnstone

OUR FORECAST Of Saturday Football

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H. K. RIFLE ASSN: AMAZING GROWTH

Membership Reaches The 4,000 Mark

CLUBHOUSE PROJECT

By "Bull's-Eye."

HONGKONG has become Rifle-minded.

So much so, in fact, that today it boasts the biggest rifle club in the British Empire.

At a meeting of the Council of the Association, held this week, it was announced that only 16 new affiliated members were required to bring the total to 4,000.

Full Membership, after 74 applications had been dealt with during the meeting, stood at 276.

The Hongkong Rifle Association, when it was formed seven months ago, anticipated nothing like this membership.

As a result of the extraordinary interest taken in its activities, the Council now finds itself in an embarrassing position.

It has so many members that it does not know where to find accommodation during shoots.

LARGEST IN EMPIRE

The fact that Hongkong, containing less than 300 square miles and an European population that does not exceed 25,000 people, boasts the largest Rifle Club in the Empire is an indication of the enormous strides made by the lusty infant.

The influx of members—both individual full members and affiliates—shows no sign of abating. On the contrary, if the past two months are any criterion, the Council of the Association is going to find itself even more seriously embarrassed. Of the total full membership of 276, over 100 have joined since the beginning of November.

At its meeting this week, the Council unanimously decided that the annual subscription rate to be doubled as soon as 300 full members had been enrolled. This remarkable step is a direct result of the position created by the enormous number of applications for enrollment. The increased rate, however, will not apply to the first 300 individual members to join the Association. They will become Foundation Members, and their subscription will be unchanged from the original basis.

The Council does not, at present propose to increase the affiliation fee for affiliated Rifle Clubs, this matter having been left for further discussion.

But I understand that, if the increased fees do not curb applications for full Membership, the Council will in all probability take steps to close their books to new members, limiting full membership to a figure not greatly in excess to that existing at present.

Great impetus to membership during the past fortnight has been the arrival in the Colony of the Royal Ulster Rifles, who are renowned for their keenness in rifle shooting.

One of their first acts on arriving in the Colony was to apply for affiliated membership in the Hongkong Association, the application being approved at this week's Council meeting.

TO BUILD CLUBHOUSE

From an authoritative source I learn that the Council is now pushing ahead with plans to build a Club House on the Kowloon Range, at present occupied by the Kowloon Golf Club.

I believe architects' drawings have already been prepared for this purpose, and the question should be settled in the near future.

It seems pretty certain that the Kowloon Golf Club are going to raise their voices in loud protest at what many members regard as an encroachment on their preserves.

But I cannot see how they are going to halt the new Rifle Association, especially when it has proved so successful, and has the support of the local Military authorities, who own the land. The Rifle Club can argue with perfect justification, that the Kowloon rifle range

is the only suitable one available for their needs; that the Golf Club occupies the land at the pleasure of the military authorities and that, with as many hundred members as the Rifle Club has thousands. Any objection by the Golf Club to the proposed Rifle Club house, therefore, seems bound to be overruled, and I think the disciples of St. Andrew's would be wise to accept the position with as much grace as possible.

At present, the Rifle Club utilizes the grounds on Wednesdays only, Saturday shoots taking place at Stonecutters.

Members and affiliates of the Rifle Association will hold their first Annual Dinner, probably at the Peninsula Hotel, next month. Final arrangements will be discussed at the next meeting of the Council.

A. H. FABIAN, a distinguished amateur footballer, who is games master at Highgate School, has signed amateur forms for the Arsenal club.

Fabian, who plays at inside-right, was captain of the Cambridge University side in 1931. He has since played at various times for Corinthians, the Casuals, Derby County and Fulham.

In amateur internationals he was "capped" for England six times.

Before going to Cambridge Fabian was a pupil at the school where he now is a master. He has suggested to Mr. Allison the scheme of practical coaching by which some of the Arsenal players will help the Highgate boys next Wednesday afternoon on the school ground.

The proposal that those taking part in the recent N.R.A. Overseas Postal Match should be awarded the Association's Bronze medallion was unanimously adopted.

The offer of Sergeant Russell, of the Association's Revolver Shoots was approved, as was the suggestion that the Honorary Treasurer be asked to help in this connection.

The matter of the provision of adequate range accommodation was discussed at some length, and steps were taken to ensure that this should be available in the future.

ANNUAL DINNER

It was decided that the first Annual Dinner of the Association should be held in February, and a Sub-Committee consisting of Messrs. Scott and Austin, with the Honorary Secretary, was appointed to go into the matter, and to report to the Council at its next meeting.

The Council unanimously decided that membership of the Association should be confined to British male subjects, and that this should be clearly stated in the Rules of the Association.

At the request of the Honorary Secretary a Committee was formed to consider the tentative proposals put forward by him regarding the competition to be held at the forthcoming Prize Meeting, the members of such Committee being Messrs. Austin, Woodward, Scott, Capt. Castlyn and the Hon. Secretary.

It was unanimously decided that the fee charged for the Shoots held on Wednesday afternoons should be raised to 20 cents, and those held during week-ends to 30 cents. For affiliated members, these fees will be doubled.

Other business of a minor nature was then dealt with, after which the meeting stood adjourned.

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YOU CAN'T COAST ALONG ON LAST YEAR'S LAURELS... AND YOUR PRESS-CLIPPING'S WON'T FRIGHTEN AN OPPONENT! GIMME ACTION!!

I KNOW IT'S LATE, BUT I WANT THAT PLAY RUN OVER AGAIN! THERE'S ONLY ONE MAN AMONG YOU I CAN DEPEND ON! FRECKLES... RUN THAT PLAY OVER AGAIN!!

HE'S NOT HERE, COALH... HE LEFT... TEN MINUTES AGO!

WHY, I CAN'T BELIEVE FRECKLES WOULD RUN OUT ON ME LIKE THAT! WAS HE SICK?

By Blosser



Australia's Davis Cup Decision

WILL COMPETE IN AMERICAN ZONE

Sydney, Jan. 14. Australia will no longer compete in the European Zone of the Davis Cup according to an official announcement made today.

The Australian Lawn Tennis Association has decided that future Australia will challenge for the trophy in the American Zone.

Eight of the Dominion's best play-



Turnbull (left) and Quist—have been requested to "stand by" for Davis Cup requirements.

CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD ALLEGATIONS AGAINST FIVE CHINESE

Three men and two women who are charged with conspiracy to defraud, by pretending that they could make banknotes of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, appeared on remand before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning, when a further remand was granted, on the application of the prosecution.

The accused were Wong Fai, Chung Siu-wah, Wong Yu-wan, and two women, Ho Ying and Tsui Wah-ting. Wong Fai was additionally charged that on or before May 10, 1933, he stole, by means of a trick, \$21,500 from one Tam Lin.

At this morning's proceedings, Mr. D. McCallum, appeared for the prosecution, assisted by Detective Inspector M. Murphy.

Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, who appeared on behalf of the second and fifth accused, said he understood the second defendant had already entered a plea of guilty. He now applied for leave to withdraw the plea and substitute one of not guilty.

His Worship remarked that he must have a full explanation before the plea could be altered.

Mr. Hugh-Jones replied that where a man was unrepresented, leave should be granted for withdrawal.

His Worship said he must hear the outline of the prosecution's case, before he could grant leave for withdrawal.

DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND

Mr. C. E. R. Sanderson, who appeared for the first, third and fourth accused, made a similar application on behalf of the first defendant. He said it was really the duty of the Court to refuse to allow a man to plead guilty, especially in the case of a Chinese to whom it was extremely difficult to explain exactly what "conspiracy" meant.

On behalf of the fifth defendant, Mr. Hugh-Jones asked that a date be fixed for hearing of her case, as she could not put up the \$500 bail required, and, in the circumstances, would have to spend Chinese New Year in gaol.

Mr. Sanderson applied for permission to obtain a sum of \$480, the property of the fourth defendant, to be returned to her in order that it might go towards the cost of the defense.

The prosecution did not voice any objection to this step.

His Worship remanded the first and second accused in custody without bail, and allowed the third and fourth defendants \$500 bail each, while the bail of the fifth accused was reduced from \$500 to \$200. The sum of \$480 was ordered to be returned to fourth defendant.

The case was adjourned to 10 a.m. on January 20, when the prosecution will give an outline of the case.

BANISHEE AS HOUSEBREAKER

GETS YEAR'S HARD LABOUR

Sentences totalling 12 months' hard labour were imposed upon Yip Pak-wah, 31, unemployed, when he pleaded guilty before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning to a charge of housebreaking at No. 66 Cheung On Street, first floor, and stealing a pair of imitation gold ear-rings belonging to Yip Shiu-ha, 26, married woman. He was also charged with returning from banishment.

Inspector Chester-Woods stated that complainant and her family occupied the first and second floors of the address given in the charge. About 10 o'clock yesterday she was going to have her morning meal when she saw defendant on the stairway. She immediately raised the alarm and the man ran away. A Police Reservist, who was passing nearby, heard the cries and took up the chase and arrested defendant. When defendant was taken to the police station he was found to have in his possession six keys, but he was not charged in respect of these.

Defendant admitted that he was banished for ten years on July 25, 1933, and pleaded that he had returned to get some money.

On the first charge defendant was sentenced to six months' hard labour and 12 months on the second.

SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

(Exchange Building)

Annual Race Meeting, 1936.

Entries for the above will close at 3.00 p.m. on SATURDAY, 18th JANUARY, 1936.

By Order of the Stewards,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1936.

THE FANLING HUNT AND RACE CLUB

The Annual General Meeting, which was to have been held on Thursday, the 16th January, 1936, at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., has been postponed to Thursday, the 23rd January, 1936, at the same time and place.

CYCLE THEFT

PRISON SENTENCE IMPOSED

Convicted of having stolen a bicycle from outside No. 179 Tai Nan Street on December 31, belonging to To Tin-fat, 16, a delivery boy, a 21-year-old unemployed man, Shek Ngau, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Detective-Sergeant Goodwin stated that about 6.30 p.m. on December 31 last, complainant left his bicycle outside his shop at No. 179 Tai Nan Street, and about half an hour later he found it missing. A report was made to the Shamshui-poo Police Station that night.

About 6.30 a.m. yesterday, complainant's friend, who worked at the same shop, was riding his bicycle at Hung Hom when he saw a man riding a machine which he recognised as the stolen one. He rode alongside the man and asked him where he had got the bicycle and to whom it belonged.

The man replied that the bicycle was his, he having bought it from his friend for \$10 which was to be paid when he had received his wages at the end of the month.

The bicycle was taken back to the Shamshui-poo Police Station and the man later took the police to Kowloon City and defendant was arrested.

Defendant elected to give evidence and alleged that the machine had been given to him to sell by a man named Lam, who used to be a Government employee. This man could not be found, as he was not in the Colony.

The prosecuting officer stated that the man was known to the police.

GRASS FIRE DANGER

TRESPASSERS CAUGHT IN PLANTATION

Six Chinese married women pleaded guilty before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning to trespassing in Government plantation No. 2 D above Wongnai-chung district. They were all bound over.

Mr. J. R. Carr, of the Botanical and Forestry Department, stated that gang of women from Wanchai were at present engaged in collecting wood in preparation for the Chinese New Year. The Department had tried to discourage them because of the danger of grass fires. The defendants were in the thick of the forest when arrested.

The Magistrate: There have been very few of such prosecutions of late.

Mr. Carr: We usually chase them off but this is on the increase at the present time and we are trying to discourage this sort of thing.

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SERIAL STORY

BARGAIN BRIDE

by KATHARINE HAVLAND-TAYLOR

CHAPTER XXX

One warming day in the middle of March Barrett decided he would ask Elinor whether he had any chance at all to make their marriage something more than an unsentimental business arrangement, to make it—not only for the remainder of the year but for always. His faith in her had been growing. Even to his critical eyes her conduct had been exemplary since the day he had brought her to his home.

She was docile, sweet, gay. "And Lord, but you're dear to me!" he thought frequently as he looked at her across the chess table or listened to her music.

He had fallen into the habit of indulging those small gestures which indicate a comradeship affection—a hand on her arm, a pat on her shoulder, a shoulder pressed to hers as they watched the unfolding of some play. Even, once and again, a hand beneath her rounded chin, raising it to ask anxiously, "Now what's wrong?"

Slowly the conviction had been growing in Barrett's mind that she was fond of him, that she really cared. She had followed him into the hall that morning as he was about to leave the house. "I'm going to Aunt Bessie's after lunch," she said, "but I'll be back in time for tea. That is—I will if you'll be here."

He was engaged on a research job, a rather demanding piece of work that had kept him away from the house more than he liked.

"Wouldn't miss it for the world," he assured her.

"Then I'll be here," she said, smiling. Almost at once she had looked away and before he could reply Higgins appeared to say that Mrs. Radnor wanted to speak to Mrs. Colvin.

"Just a moment, Higgins," Elinor answered. Barrett, stooping, kissed her lips.

"For Higgins' benefit," he explained as the butler disappeared. Then for a moment Barrett eyed her steadily. "No," he said. "I lied. I kissed you because I wanted to."

She said nothing but her smile was a little tremulous, her eyes misty. He kissed her hands suddenly as he had never kissed her lips, then turned hurriedly toward the door.

She stood where he had left her, hands above her heart, eyes closed. For weeks she had known something of his growing feeling for her. She had heard it in his voice which softened as he spoke to her. She had seen it in the hungry eyes that followed her. It had been charted, too, in his concern for her entertainment, in the flowers and books and music that had come to her from him. Almost daily

there had been some offering. "Oh—make it come true!" she prayed. "I can't live without him!"

"Mrs. Radnor is waiting," Higgins reminded humbly.

"Oh, yes!" she laughed unsteadily. She had forgotten. "Yes, Marchie!"

Barrett had kissed her because he wanted to. Kissed her because he wanted to. "I'm sorry, Marchie, I didn't catch that. Oh, yes—for the baby bath. I'll come right down. No, nothing's wrong. The connection is a little bad."

The result of Barrett's working day could have given, to even a less ambitious workman, no reason for pride. He dallied over this and that, looked at a stately plaque to lay it down without seeing the hieroglyphics which he was supposed to consider, picked up a seal of freedom to lay that down, too. He had run his hands through his hair and then pretended to examine a cursive inscription.

At two o'clock Barrett rose. "I'm going to luncheon, Blinker," he said, "and I'm not coming back to-day. Have Miss Pringle's American Indian donation ready for me. I'll look it over in the morning."

"I'm afraid," said Blinker humbly, "that you'll find it's a fake."

"I'm afraid so too," said Barrett. Rather an awkward affair. He didn't like to hurt an old lady who wanted to do something "worth while" for a university museum. Perhaps it would hurt the university too. She might be the sort who would do nothing at all for the school if they told her that her collection was worthless. And yet it was impossible to tamper with the truth, Barrett knew.

Once out of the building, he moved swiftly. He was going home to the girl whose face now haunted him everywhere. Home to ask whether he had a chance to be her husband for all time. Home to say, "I want to woo you and win you—if I can! You don't know how I'll try; how much you mean to me. You never will know, I suppose, but I'll try to prove it with the years—" How could he endure it if she should say definitely that he had no chance? His heart chilled.

But a vision of her face that morning, lifted to him, returned to cheer him. His heart had been beating unevenly all day with the memory of that look and what it seemed to mean.

He reached home at three to learn that Elinor had not yet returned. If she were in Brooklyn with Bessie he would call for her, he decided, warning at the promise of the extra time with her and the thought of having her beside him. He telephoned Bessie Thrope and learned that Elinor had

left an hour before. "She was only here a little while," Bessie said. "She had luncheon here. Elinor says little Dick Radnor is so sweet, Barry! She says he has his bath this morning."

He answered vaguely, adding, "Do you know where Elinor went?"

Bessie did not know. "I had the impression," she said, "that she was going straight home."

His elation was strangely exhausted. He said "thank you" and then "goodbye."

Elinor might have stopped to shop or to see some friend, he reasoned, yet suspicions that had been sleeping were suddenly aroused.

He settled moodily in the drawing room, a window snake continual. Night was falling. A French clock that stood on the mantel struck four. From the hall came the quarter hour—a full day later it seemed! She was usually in by four.

He rose and stood by the window. The lengthening chime that told half past four came from the hall.

He crushed the last of his many cigarettes and dropped it on a silver tray. Higgins appeared to ask whether Mrs. Colvin would be home for tea.

Barrett began to mutter affirming response but the words broke in the middle of it. A motor car had paused outside—a low, open sport car. Bobby Telfair stepped from it and opened the door. Elinor, smiling, descended.

Barrett moved back from the window. So this was the explanation of her delay! This was the reason Bessie had thought Elinor was going straight home!

She came in quickly, her step eager. She was late and she had, particularly looked forward to the quiet tea hour with Barrett who had kissed her that morning because he wanted to!

She had gone from Bessie's to see Philip, who was ill. She wanted to tell Barrett about Philip. She had not, yet. Elinor dreaded his concerning Philip for taking as much from her as he had, and she had not been able to never herself, to submit with Barrett nor to threaten, through any hindrance, the growing peace and happiness of their hours together.

The fact that she had not told Barrett about Philip weighed her essentially truthful mind.

"Barry!" she called eagerly from the doorway. He turned stiffly.

"I'm so sorry to be late," she said, moving toward him. Would he kiss her again? "I was delayed. I wouldn't be here now if Bobby Telfair hadn't met me and picked me up."

The words stopped. All too evidently Elinor could see in the man's stony eyes that he did not believe her.

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E/Japan	Mar. 6	Mar. 8		Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 19	Mar. 24
E/Asia	Mar. 20	Mar. 22	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	April 3	April 22
E/Canada	April 3	April 5		April 10	April 17	May 4	May 19
E/Russia	April 17	April 19	April 21	April 23	April 25	July 9	July 27
E/Japan	May 1	May 8		May 10	May 14	June 1	June 17
E/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23	June 12	June 29
E/Canada	May 20	May 31		June 16	June 20	July 3	July 14
E/Russia	June 20	June 28		July 1	July 3	July 10	July 27
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18	Aug. 7	Aug. 12
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Civil Servant Population

HON. MR. M. K. LO WANTS FIGURES

The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo is to ask a series of questions at to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council regarding the number of Europeans in Government service, and the policy of the Government in regard to officers who have done ten years' service in the Colony but, not having reached pensionable age, are nevertheless willing to retire.

Mr. Lo's questions are in the following terms:

1. What was the total number of European Civil Servants employed by Government at (a) end of 1923,

(b) end of 1931, (c) end of 1935;

2. What was the number of persons constituting the European Senior Clerical and Accounting Staff at the aforesaid periods?

3. What was the total amount of salaries paid to the Public Works Department Staff, European and non-European, in (a) 1923, (b) 1931, (c) 1935?

4. Since the date of the Report of the Retrenchment Commission (May 1931) (e) what additions, if any, (b) what reductions, if any, have been made in the European Staff on the Civil List?

5. In view of the imperative necessity for retrenchment, what is the policy of Government in regard to European officers who, having done 10 years of service in the Colony, but not having reached pensionable age, are nevertheless willing to retire?

6. If under existing regulations there is no power to permit such retirement, will Government consider the question of amending such regulations with the view to conferring such power, in order to save the heavy expense of paying the return passage for such officers and families who have only a further short period to serve in order to qualify for pension?

REPRIEVE NOW ONLY ESCAPE

(Continued from Page 1.)

bursts; and that these influences and the presence in the courtroom of prominent persons from throughout the country distracted the jury and led against Hauptmann.

Mr. Burkinstaw, one of Hauptmann's lawyers, read the petition to a crowded courtroom. He attacked the speech of the New Jersey Attorney-General, Mr. Willentz, to the jury, declaring it contained imprecise assertions and innuendos.

"SUBTERFUGE AND FRAUD"

Mr. Willentz, replying, described the petition as "subterfuge and fraud."

The judge held that if he granted the application he would be practically overriding the New Jersey Court of Errors and the United States Supreme Court.

"Every known remedy in law has been used to save this prisoner from electrocution," he added.

After the decision one of the defence lawyers remarked, "This is the end." —Reuters.

STILL HOPING

Trenton, Jan. 14. Governor Hoffman of New Jersey repeated to-day that he had not decided whether or not to reprise Bruno Hauptmann.

The Attorney-General, Mr. Willentz, however, says he is reliably informed that the Governor intends to grant a reprieve.

Mrs. Hauptmann visited her husband-to-day in the death cell and emerged from the prison smiling.

"Richard is feeling well and is still hopeful that something will turn up for the better," she said.

Hauptmann's spiritual adviser, the Rev. John Matthiesen, also visited the condemned man. He says that Hauptmann has hopes that new evidence will save his life.

Hauptmann's attorneys obtained the prisoner's signature to an application of habeas corpus for presentation to Federal Judge Warren Davis.—United Press.

PROBABLY ANOTHER DAY

Washington, Jan. 14. The National and Columbia broadcasting systems have refused to sell the Republican Party time for a series of "dramatic skits," entitled "Liberty at the Crossroads," on the grounds that such presentations would discuss national issues on a basis of dramatic licence instead of, on reasonably stated opinion.

Leaders of the party bitterly assailed this attitude, effected "by the political party in power which regulates the issuance of your licences."

—United Press.

LEAGUE FINANCE IMPROVEMENT

BEST YEAR YET REPORTED

Geneva, Jan. 14.

The League of Nations finances for 1935 are the best yet reported, with a balance of nine million Swiss francs from receipts over expenditure.

One million francs will be placed to reserve, and the balance will be used to reduce monotonous contributions for 1937.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

REVENUE FIGURES

IMPROVEMENT IN BRITAIN

London, Jan. 14.

Exchequer returns show that the total ordinary revenue, excluding self-balancing items, amounts to £470,000,000, compared with £450,076,406 at the corresponding date of last year.

Receipts from income tax are £97,718,000, compared with £94,482,000 for the same period of the last financial year. The returns cover the second week of the first quarter of the financial year, in which the collection of income tax is heaviest, and the receipts for the week were £15,390,000, against £12,637,900 in the corresponding week of 1935.

Revenue from surtax were also higher than in the same week of the financial year, though to date they amount to £16,190,000, compared with £10,245,000 in 1935.

State duties have yielded £96,050,000 to date, against £61,815,000 last year and a Budget estimate for the whole year of £80,000,000. Revenue from customs and excise is £239,574,000, compared with £229,590,000 at this time last year.

Total ordinary expenditure is £578,022,064, compared with £553,158,191 at the corresponding date of 1935.—British Wireless.

Car Parking Problem

IS KOWLOON SPACE ADEQUATE?

Questions regarding the adequacy or otherwise of motor parking spaces in Kowloon are to be asked at tomorrow's meeting of the Legislative Council by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga. The questions to be asked are as follows:

1. Will the Honourable the Inspector General of Police state—

(a) what are the respective numbers of motor cars, exclusive of buses, trucks and lorries, registered for Kowloon for the past three years—1933 to 1935—inclusive;

(b) what are the facilities on Salisbury Road near the Star Ferry pier for the parking of motor cars;

(c) what is the approximate superficial ground area in each of the above three years allotted for the public parking of cars in that locality; and

(d) whether the ground area referred to in question (c) represents an increase during the past three years in proportion to the larger number of privately owned cars in Kowloon?

2. Does the Government consider the authorised parking space on Salisbury Road sufficient for the number of registered motor cars for Kowloon?

3. Should such area not be deemed adequate, by what further provision, if any, and where does the Government contemplate increasing the accommodation to meet suitably the growing demand for parking spaces within the aforesaid area?

4. Does the Government contemplate the use of the open space of Crown land lying between Middle Road and Salisbury Road and the space on Salisbury Road adjoining and to the east of the existing car park? If not, could not such spaces or any other piece of Crown land in that neighbourhood be utilised, provisionally, for adding to existing car parking spaces at Kowloon Point?

U.S. STILL SPENDING

ENORMOUS PUBLIC DEBT FORESEEN

Washington, Jan. 14.

Following the testimony of Mr. Henry Morgenthau, the Secretary of the Treasury, that the Government would have raised a minimum of \$11,000,000,000 in the next seventeen-and-a-half months, the Senate Finance Committee approved Senator Harrington's bonus bill by 15-12.

Senator Coopers, voting against the measure, said that Mr. Morgenthau also said that the \$11,000,000,000 minimum was needed for the remainder of this and the next year's commitments. These included estimates of \$2,000,000,000 for relief, which sum was not taken into account in President Roosevelt's budget.

Senator Coopers said Mr. Morgenthau estimated that this expenditure would bring the public debt of the country to \$35,500,000,000 by the end of the next fiscal year.—Reuters.

SHOW FOR KIDDIES

IN AID OF ST. JOHN AMBULANCE FUNDS

By kind permission of the Managing Director of the King's Theatre, a children's cinema entertainment has been arranged by Mrs. G. F. Hole for Tuesday, January 28, at 10.30 a.m.

Mrs. Hole has selected, through the courtesy of the film distributors, "Mickey Mouse" and other suitable attractive pictures. The performance will prove a popular attraction for the Chinese New Year holidays.

The prices will be 50 cents, 30 cents, and 20 cents for children; adults usual prices.

The proceeds are to be devoted to the St. John Ambulance Association New Territory Clinics and for the relief of the sick poor in the New Territories—women and children in particular.

Principals of schools are kindly asked to co-operate with the St. John Ambulance Association, which is in urgent need of funds for the maintenance of the New Territories Benevolent work, where lives of expectant mothers and sick children depend upon the the ministrations of St. John nurses.

DOLE STRIKE THREAT

RELIEF PAY REDUCTIONS ON U.S. PACIFIC COAST

Los Angeles, Jan. 14.

Threats of a dole strike and hunger march of the unemployed have brought the southern relief situation to the verge of collapse.

Mr. Louis Finegan, their leader, has organised the jobless men on relief and warned the County Relief Committee that they are staging a strike on January 28 in which "bloodshed may result" unless the orders for reducing payments are rescinded.—United Press.

Speeding Test Cases.

Washington, Jan. 14. Mr. Martin, representing the administration, introduced a bill for speeding up Supreme Court tests of constitutionality. If the bill is enacted and the Federal Courts accept it would eliminate lengthy tie-ups in the lower courts.—United Press.

SALARY REDUCTION

CHINESE CIVIL SERVANTS PRESENT PETITION

In connection with the proposed cut of the salaries of Government servants, it is understood that a petition was recently presented by the Chinese Civil Servants asking the Government to reconsider its decision. Practically all the officials concerned signed their names on the petition, giving as their reason the heavy increases in prices of all commodities.

Yesterday, it is understood, a reply was received by the Chinese Civil Servants Association, sponsors for the petition, from the Colonial Secretary to the effect that the representations were being considered.

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